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OUR CENTENNIAL.

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When freedom first her flag unfuried
Across the land which now is free,
And shook its bright folds to the world,
A new-born glory for the sea,
Her sons were faint, her ranks were few,
Feeble her power and weak her hand;
The nurseling up to manhood grew,
And strode a giant o'er the land.

And now a hundred years have fled
Since first that banner on the sky
Its glorious stars and stripes outspread,
A sign of hope and triumph nigh.
Its constellation, burning bright,
Has gained new stars from other spheres,
And caught the dawning of the light
Which flames along the endless years.

Its sons have brought the lightning down,
And harnessed it to do their will;
Its forts in every harbor frown,
Its thunders sleep on every hill;
Its power is felt on land and sea,
Its commerce sweeps across the tide,
And millions of the brave and free
Nestle beneath its shelter wide.

The weary centuries effete
Had grown through years of suffered wrong;
Before the march of Freedom's feet,
The Western world broke into song.
Art reared her temples in the land,
The Christian's cross, the tapered spire,
Rose 'neath the touch of Labor's hand,
And glimmered in the sunset's fire.

The desert waste a garden grew
In prairie land, in tangled fen;
The world, astonished, paused to view
The grand creative power of men.
Three millions saw the dawning light
That blessed the land with Freedom's ray,
And forty millions hail the sight
That breaks upon our eyes to-day.

The Old World brings her tribute here
To lay before the New World's shrine;
The tropic's offering, sincere—
Its wealth of olives and of wine—
Is laid before our feet to-day.
O happy omen, blessed sight!
Where shone but dimly Freedom's ray,
The world transfigured lies in light!

One hundred years of Freedom's reign!
One hundred years of war and peace!
A golden century again.
Bourgeons and blossoms with increase.
Swift as the wind our couriers fly
Across the land, from sea to sea;
In northern air, on tropic sky,
Streams out the banner of the free.

And nestling 'neath each stripe and star,
Atlantic waves, Pacific foam,
Viewing the nations from afar,
Shout to their coming: "Welcome home!"
Welcome! Columbia's arms spread wide,
She stands beside each busy mart,
And, thrilled with joy and touched with pride,
She folds the whole world to her heart.

No bond of sect, no tie of creed,
Can make or mar her generous plan;
The only plea that all need plead—
The common brotherhood of man.
The diamond from Brazilian mines
Gleams here by Afric's wealth of gold,
And silver from the long inclines
Where Colorado's wealth is told.

And Asia lays her treasures down,
Japan and India appear,
Bearing their offerings to crown
The fullness of our hundredth year.
O Orient lands where'er you are poor, do you think that I
can remain as I am, leading a purposeless existence?
What I spoke was for the best—at least, I thought so.
How proud I should be to earn my own bread—how
sweet would be the hours spent with you when my
labor of love is over."

Mrs. Brierley's reply died on her lips. A clatter of horse's hoofs outside the villa caused her to go to the window. She saw Ernest Doyle. He had dismounted, and, throwing the horse's reins carelessly over the gate-post, he walked to the door; but, before he could knock, Mrs. Brierley had opened it and stood before him. A brief and pleasant greeting was exchanged, and then he strolled into the pretty, silent parlor, where Evelyn sat in a big arm-chair, with the little dog nestling in her lap, and her pale, thoughtful face for the second time mantling with a delicate flush.

Ernest Crayford Doyle was a handsome man; there was something better than beauty in his face, and something in his smile that would have made a keen reader of human character partly mistrust him. He was above the medium height, with the bearing which belongs exclusively to the soldier and the gentleman. His hair and long moustache were blonde, and somewhat hard lips, not untouched by sorrow, had sprinkled a few silver threads amongst the gold. He had a fair pink-and-white complexion, beautiful teeth, and eyes that would conquer where his tongue would fail.

"Miss De Vere," he said, speaking in a well-modulated voice, "that was perhaps more the result of training than of nature. "I hope that you have not thought that I had forgotten my way here. I have had to do duty for myself and principal, and not for one day have I forgotten that Merton Villa is near, and I get, through circumstances, sadly out of my reach."

The speech was not a great one, nor poetical; but the way he spoke it gave effect. Miss De Vere smiled and gave him her left hand with that charming *sang-froid* that belongs to women who have something of a Continental training.

"I could not, even if I had wished to, conquer the impulse to call here this evening," he went on.

"You are welcome, Mr. Doyle, as you always were. Will you take a seat?"

"Thanks," he said, resting his hat on the table, and striking beside the big arm-chair.

Mrs. Brierley had not entered the room since Mr. Doyle came in. He secretly thanked her for this little mark of attention. Evelyn, with a woman's tact, wondered, or pretended to wonder, where she had gone.

"I am so glad to see you are looking yourself again," Mr. Doyle said gently. Miss De Vere had been seriously ill for a time. "I should not like to go away knowing that you were still unwell."

"Are you going?" she asked with an interrogatory elevation of her eyebrows.

"Yes, Miss De Vere; I am sorry to say that I am—sorry on one point, but glad on others. I have a position offered me that is more suitable to my taste than my present one—some hope of advancing myself. I do not wish to be too sanguine; but I feel that there is a future before me that will be worth working for, though I fear that my training as an army-surgeon does not fit me for a doctor's assistant."

"And yet you are sorry, Mr. Doyle?"

He laid his hand tenderly on hers, and turned his gaze full upon her.

"Yes; I am sorry that my ambition should lead me to leave here—to leave you."

Some of Miss De Vere's self-possession deserted her then. The sad, dreamy eyes revaded his. She was playing with the silken coat of the little dog, and the delicate flush left her face, but she did not remove her hand from his.

"Miss De Vere," he said with an intense, subdued fervency that almost startled her, "you may think me abrupt, but do not think me presumptive. In this little dull world of toil there has always been one light—a heavenly light—before me, that has guided me on through my hours of daily drudgery, that has made me hope for better things, that has given me power and purpose to struggle for a worldly position. That heavenly light is yourself. All my hopes are concentrated on you. My life seems devoted to you. Miss De Vere—Evelyn—I love you truly, sincerely. Do not take your hand away—do not turn from me! God knows these outspoken sentiments have long held a place, have been deeply rooted in the very core of my heart. As yet I have only my love to offer you, but a time will come when I shall have position as well to lay at your feet."

He was kneeling before her—kneeling with his handsome face upturned, and his eyes aglow with love's pure light. She felt that he trembled as a child trembles at the dreaded lash—or, with better, as a youth thrilled with the hopes and fears of love's first dream.

"Say, my darling, that you reciprocate some of this feeling. Let me start afresh on my career at least with hope. Let me believe, with the purpose is gained, that you will be mine, and I am sure that my strength will never fail me, that Fate will never desert me, and that the future will be nothing but sunshine."

He paused for a moment, removed the little dog from her lap, took her hands in his, and crept closer until his warm breath fanned her cheek. There were tears glittering in her downcast eyes; he thought they were not unmixed with gladness.

"Answer me," he said with intense fervency, "my love! my life! give me but one word——"

"O Mr. Doyle! Ernest! I cannot bear this."

"My darling!" he cried, clasping her to his breast, for he was loved. He knew it—he felt it!—felt that her answer was a consent. "I shall go forth happy now. I was almost dreading to hope for this. God bless you, Evelyn, you are mine!"

While the still thickening and darkening shadows of night came on, standing for a time between the departed day and the light of the stars, Mr. Ernest Doyle and Evelyn sat in silent tranquillity, thrilled and blessed with love. In the outspoken joy that, being born of love, was too sincere, too sacred, to be expressed in words. They had not known each other many months, had met as strangers almost, and now they were all the world to each other. Truly, love is spontaneous.

"Evelyn, my love," Mr. Doyle said at last, recalled to a matter-of-fact state of mind, probably, by the restless stamping of his horse, who, not being in love, perhaps took matters from an entirely opposite point of view to his master, and felt a longing desire to get home—"Evelyn, shall I speak to Mrs. Brierley before I leave you?"

"Yes, Mr. Doyle. I have no confidences apart from her," answered Evelyn thoughtfully, and with one of her peculiar, gentle sighs.

"Do not call me Mr. Doyle," he said, drawing her closer to him by a pressure of his strong arm that was round her waist. "Let me hear you call me Ernest."

Somehow, and she could not tell why, Evelyn felt restrained when the name was on her lips even. It seemed now that there was a something wanting—that they had not been sufficiently familiar. She said so, and that Mr. Doyle was so much more natural to her as yet. The other name would come in time.

"You have taken me so much by surprise," she went on, and even in the gloom he could see that she was glancing thoughtfully down. "You were so sudden, too, that I had not time to think. I—I—don't know, but if I were—"

"Evelyn," said Doyle tenderly yet gravely, "do not attempt to retract—to shatter the wild hope you have of your own free will raised within me. I would not for a moment think that you are fickle. Have I, in my madness, mistaken what I deemed in you was love for me? Am I deceived?"

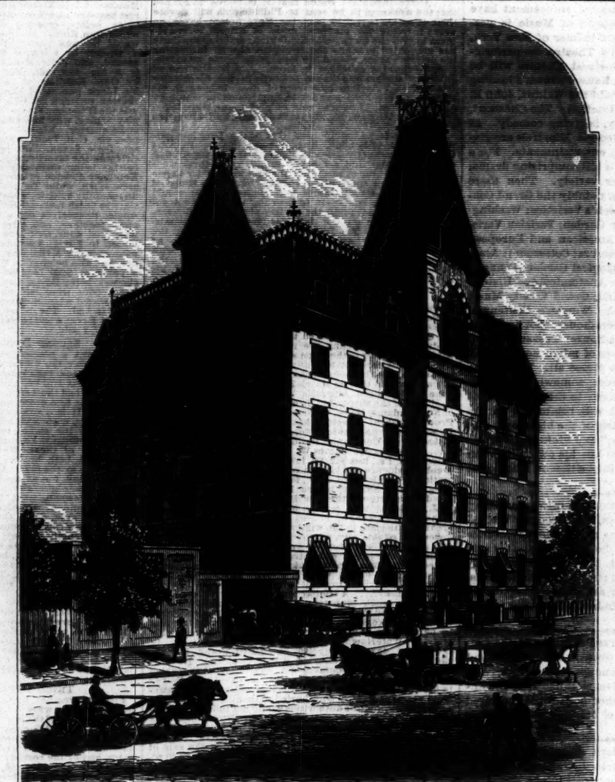
"No, no! Mr. Doyle, pray do not think that."

"What is it, then, my darling? Do you think that we have seen too little of each other? I do not forget that it is not six months since we met. But out of that six months I have been by your bedside for two, daily watching you through your sickness, praying that your life might be spared. You were all my thoughts then—my only trouble; and I am sure that not even Mrs Brierley hailed your recovery with more intense joy than I did. Tell me, Evelyn, do you think that Mrs. Brierley may not approve of this?"

"Mrs. Brierley would not disapprove of anything that I, conscious that I was right, may do. But—but—there is a doubt whether I have given myself time to consider, to look well before me, and understand to its fullest the step I have taken."

"What is there to understand that you do not understand?"

"Much, Mr. Doyle, and much that you do not know of. Now that you have honored me with your love and confidence,



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I should feel ungrateful and degraded did I not repose entire confidence in you; but alas! how can I? Who is more bitterly in the dark than myself as to the circumstances and condition of those concerning myself? I feel more bitterly now the want of a mother—of a home that I never knew. I am Evelyn De Vere—that I know by the register—but who and what the De Veres were I am ignorant."

"My darling, what is all this to me?"

"Whatever the future might make of it, Mr. Doyle," responded Evelyn, with a sort of prophetic sadness that passed like a chilly wind to his heart. "Perhaps I was wrong in not thinking of this when you honored me with your confidence; but, never knowing any home but this, no parent or guardian but Mrs. Brierley, I am apt to forget that I am liable to be only an outcast, thrown homeless and parentless on the dark and dangerous byeways of the world."

"Evelyn, my pet, when I found my love of you growing more ardent every day, I did not commit so great a folly as to dampen it by speculating upon your social condition. Love is absolute, and whatsoever your position may be in the world now, it must be whatever I make it. Were you in possession of wealth and title, you could be only the wife of Mr. Doyle. In addition to me, and, whatever I may be, you are, by your intellect, beauty and goodness, fit to adorn it."

"Thank you, Mr. Doyle," said Evelyn fearfully, gratefully. "I should like to hear what Mrs. Brierley says—if you please."

Mr. Doyle smiled, kissed her, and, rising, rang the bell. Mrs. Brierley came in with a lamp. She glanced searchingly from one to the other, and then, crossing over to the window, drew the blind down and closed the curtains. Doyle had very little romance about him, and what little he possessed would have called forth did not prevent him going straight to the point with a bluntness common to many of his like.

"Mrs. Brierley," he said, standing up, with Evelyn by his side, and one arm round her waist, "I am going to live in London, where I hope sincerely to better myself; and that I may have something to work for, I have laid my love at the feet of Miss De Vere, and begged from her a sacred promise that she will be my wife when a sufficient means to give her at least the comforts equal to those she enjoys under your motherly care."

Mrs. Brierley sat down, with her hands in her lap and her broad face unmoved.

"I am much obliged for your candor, Mr. Doyle," she said in very much the same manner that she would have thanked anybody for some trifling act of courtesy, "and I will be candid in return. I have long expected this, though I scarcely know why I should expect it. I trust that you perfectly understand each other, and that, above all, you understand my Evelyn."

"I understand, my dear Mrs. Brierley, that you are her sole friend and protector, and that is sufficient for me."

Mr. Doyle thought the heavy brows of Mrs. Brierley contracted a little, or perhaps it was merely a passing shade cast upon her face by the fitful lamplight.

"Yes; and you may understand more than that, Mr. Doyle," she said in her measured tone. "You may understand that Mrs. Brierley had a lady for blood and birth—in education, as far as it was in my power to make her. There is no need to ask any further questions. It can matter little to her, or to you, or to both, what I may know of her early life, or of those belonging to her. If you are determined to link yourselves together, go your way through life as one, without thinking of the past or of those connected with it. Life and happiness are before you. The past is hurled back into Time's distance; so let it be. I am sorry to lose my child; but for her sake I will teach myself to bear that without a word of regret. I have done my duty. I call upon you, Mr. Doyle, to do yours to her when she is under your sole care."

She rose from her chair heavily, though not without a sort of sturdy dignity. Mr. Doyle noticed and admired it.

"God bless you, my darling!" she said, kissing Evelyn very fondly, and the then grave face relaxed, and the cold gray eyes softened, or rather melted into tears. Before, however, Mr. Doyle had time to say a word, she had turned away and walked out of the room.

Doyle had already overstayed his time, and now the first tender parting in Evelyn's eventless life took place. The unromantic but strange love-scene was over—had come and gone like a dream; and when the sound of a horse's hoofs died away along the road, she stood alone in the room, feeling indeed as if it had been a dream and she was awakened from it. Was she awake? Ah! yes. There was Spec (the Maltese dog) skipping round her dress, and showing many manifestations of unselfish devotion. Spec was not, as all of his kind are not, one of the superior mortal beings, but he loved his mistress with the pure shadow of selfishness, and never forgot his gratitude.

"Aha, Spec, Spec, my little pet," murmured Evelyn, taking him up in her arms. "You will have two to love. Can you love them both alike? Ah! I feel so happy and yet so sad."

The door opened, and Mrs. Brierley came swiftly into the room. Evelyn turned and faced her, set the dog down, and, burying her face on Mrs. Brierley's shoulders, sobbed out in almost anguish:

"Ah, mother, my darling, what have I done?" It was nearly the first time she had used the word mother. How sweetly it sounded to Mrs. Brierley's ears! "What will be my future with him? What, what have I done?"

"What is natural—what should be done for your future, my darling. Trust in God."

The massive breast heaved and fell, throbbing as though a human volcano was about to burst forth and shatter the happiness of so many, many years. Evelyn hung close to her still, with her very heart palpitating.

The strong, placid woman had broken down, and the firm intensity of her grief was terrible—terrible. The contemplation of her loss was too hard to bear.

CHAPTER II.

MISS FALCONCOURT.

There was something analogous in the existence of Evelyn and Mr. Doyle. He was a man of good family, but now parentless and without sister, or any near relatives save a stepbrother and a stepmother. He had but few friends in the world, fewer still in England. His life, so much like theirs in circumstances, had been a lonely one. May this not have had much to do with his love for Evelyn? They both had seen more of each other than of anyone else. Possibly, had they been out in the busy world together, this love would have been less spontaneous; but time and opportunity does all things.

Ernest Crawford Doyle had led such a life as few men have seen. The son of a highly-connected family, brought up in a medical college more for the benefit of a profession in case of ever being in want than through present necessity, he had, when he took his diploma, advantages which enabled him to give best to his restless disposition—and it was rather reckless then. The war between England and Russia offered an opening; he became assistant-surgeon in one of the Light-brigade regiments, where his cool nerve, his fearless courage and splendid horsemanship rendered him invaluable. But he hated his profession, and on his return to England threw up his position, and became a man of the world and of fashion, on the unexpectedly slender fortune his father left him. But for his stepmother, the fortune would have been a much larger one; but she ruled the elder Doyle as only woman can rule an infatuated man.

Doyle entirely deserted the home of his stepmother and her son, and plunged into the reckless gayeties of town-life amongst the *haut ton*, where he was well received as an accomplished man of good family. Perhaps he entered too freely into the gay allurements of the turf, and the expensive luxury of being a patron of the drama. In spite of occasional gambling and betting successes, his slender fortune was entirely gone at the end of two years, and he had to fall back upon his profession to keep him from the horrors of needy gentility. But in face of all this he retained his entree into the best society; and if he had dangerous rivals, they feared him too much to openly show their hatred.

After his declaration to Evelyn, Mr. Doyle called every night after nine o'clock during the remainder of his stay down here. He had not much time to spare. At home in the morning to see patients—out at the visiting-list from six till nine P. M., he found it very hard to give his betrothed even little of his company. He managed, however, before his time was up, to take two days for himself between leaving his present home and going to London to the new one. These two days were spent with Evelyn in pleasures such as the season and his circumstances afforded. He bought her presents, including an engagement ring and a locket to hold two portraits, and he had his and Evelyn's carte taken to make the gift complete. The two days passed very sweetly. Evelyn never was so happy before, and she almost wondered how so much delightful pleasure could be got out of so short a time.

Unfortunately, all things come to an end in this world, and Evelyn had to bid adieu to her happiness and the man—her first love—who had made himself strangely dear to her.

"I shall not be such a drudge where I am going," he said at parting, "as I have been here, and shall have time to ride or drive over and see you once or twice a week. Then again, my darling pet, a little change of air or scene would suit you, so that you might—I will not exactly say come and see me, perhaps that would be presumptuous; but you might appear now and then where we could meet. I will assume, darling, if I am compelled to sue for these little favors; for a man in my profession is little else than a white slave, to whom duty is a stern, relentless taskmaster."

Evelyn smiled up into his face. She began to be proud of what she considered his noble calling. She felt that there was no other profession on earth so suitable to her handsome and strangely distinguished lover as that of a doctor. Looking at him as she was now, with her soft arms round his neck, and her pure, pleading, pretty lips upturned to his, she thought that he was all that Nature could desire for a hero, and her love was none the less pure and sincere that she coupled a dash of hero-worship with it. When the last moment of Doyle's stay arrived, Evelyn parted with him reluctantly almost sadly.

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"Dear," she said gravely, sitting on a footstool at her guardian's feet, and looking up into the broad, placid face with the old love-lit smile, "do you know I have been thinking lately—oh, so much!—about everything?"

"Nothing is more likely, my child. Why not?" answered Mrs. Brierley.

"Well, you see, dear, I have been thinking of certain things that never before entered my head. Of course I am very silly, and don't know anything of what I am going to talk of, and you will promise not to laugh." She turned very grave, and took Mrs. Brierley's hand, and held it between her own while she spoke very earnestly: "Dear, good friend," she said, "you have been all a mother to me, and I hope some day—a very distant day, perhaps, but still some day—to repay you something of the debt I owe you. Through all these long years I have never even tried to penetrate into your affairs, and our past I do not wish to know. No good can come of it, you once said to me, and I have not forgotten the words. But of late I have seen—or perhaps, dear, you will undecstand me if I say I have felt—that there is a change in you. There is sadness, a shadow of trouble, sitting upon you, and—and—it seems as if at last that all the care and expense that have been lavished on me have—have—oh! pray, pray, forgive me—have made you poorer."

"My child, my darling," cried Mrs. Brierley in a tone of nameless distress. "You must not speak so. What you have had and will have is yours. Say no more."

"O! I do let me tell you, dear," pleaded Evelyn. "But I feel as if I must see something of the world now. It is time I did. What good am I, so poorly taught as I am? What's education and that kind of kaleidoscope-like accomplishments, that may be so pretty, but so useless without the worldly knowledge that must be gained only by contact with the world? It's my duty to go out from this undisturbed, peaceful quiet for Ernest's sake."

"What would you do, my love?"

"Be a lady's companion."

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"O! I do let me tell you, dear," pleaded Evelyn. "But I feel as if I must see something of the world now. It is time I did. What good am I, so poorly taught as I am? What's education and that kind of kaleidoscope-like accomplishments, that may be so pretty, but so useless without the worldly knowledge that must be gained only by contact with the world? It's my duty to go out from this undisturbed, peaceful quiet for Ernest's sake."

"What would you do, my love?"

"Be a lady's companion."

Unselfish, loving Mrs. Brierley never for one hour forgot what Evelyn had been saying to her, until she had made up her mind that Miss De Vere

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

☞ Letters seeking information intended to early through this department; no answers by mail.

J. M. H., Bulger.—"1. A is on third base, and B on first, with two hands out; B starts for second, to which point the ball is thrown, when A starts home and reaches the home-plate a moment before B is put out between first and second. Does A's run count?" The run counts, as neither was the striker put out, nor was the player running the bases "forced" out. 2. We do not know of such a player. 3. Waterman ranked as first-class in 1869-70, but we do not know where he is now. 4. The Chicago defeated the Mutuals in 1870 by 16 to 3, 15 to 12, 7 to 3. They defeated the Rockfords by 24 to 7 and 29 to 7. The Cincinnati Club defeated the Mutuals in 1870 by 17 to 4, 11 to 10, 21 to 8. They defeated the Rockfords by 24 to 7 and 29 to 7. Troy by 34 to 8 and 12 to 7. The Cincinnati Club played 74 games in 1870, scoring 2,732 runs. They were defeated twice by the Atlantics, three by the Chicagos, once by the Athletics, and once by the Forest Citys of Rockford. 5. If A, B and C were on the bases, D at the bat, with one hand out, and the striker hit a fly to third baseman, who caught it and "doubled up" A on that base, the first striker in the next inning is C, who is next on the list to the third man out.

NEHANNOCK SCORER, Newcastle, Cal.—"I hold that a batter making his first base on a dead ball, even if he should steal second, third and home, has not got a run, and I am right?" ..... We count earned runs simply as a criterion of the pitching, not as that of the pitching and fielding combined. If a player earns a run as you describe, it is owing chiefly to the fielding, either from the inability of the catcher to throw swiftly and accurately to the bases, or some other such cause. But a run is not properly earned off the pitching unless it is made by base-hits alone, without the assistance of stealing bases. A player makes his first by a safe hit, he is sent to his second by another such hit, and then a hit is made which really gives the striker his first, and the former runner on second to run home. This is a run earned off the pitching. 2. A run cannot be earned after two men are out, and a chance is given to put the player out between bases. There is no more run to score, see subject on scoring in "Beadle's Dime Book of Baseball."

PITT.—1. Manager Mitchell's last season at the Olympic, Chicago, the city, closed on March 9, 1850, with a benefit to Miss Mary Taylor. On April 6, Earl H. Pierce opened it with a minstrel troupe; he was succeeded by J. B. Fellows, who closed with the troupe Sept. 7, reopened Sept. 30, and closed finally on Nov. 2. From Sept. 9 to 28, 1850, it was a regular theatre, under the management of George Skerrett, he and others being from Burton's Chambers-street Theatre; and on Nov. 11, 1850, it was again opened as a theatre by W. Ash & Co. This is late enough for your purpose. 2. The Olympic Theatre and Tripler Hall were in existence at the same time, Fellow's Minstrels being at the Olympic when the Hall opened. 3. Jenny Lind sang at Tripler Hall in October, 1850, and she also sang in the same building in the following Summer.

FRANK, Baltimore.—"1. Rule 61, Section 15 of the amateur rules it says, 'Any base-runner failing to touch the base he runs for shall be declared out if the ball be held by a fielder while touching said base before the base-runner returns to it.' Do you understand by that that if a man running for second base should overrun, say six feet, it is not necessary for the baseman to touch him in his endeavor to return to the base, but simply holds the ball on the base, as in the case of a man running for first base?" ..... It is necessary on any base except first to touch the player if he overruns the base, unless in case of his being forced out. Overrunning a base is different in one sense from the act of running round the bases and failing to touch a base in so running.

G. O. E., Boston.—1. John H. Selwyn was born in Hereford, Eng., in 1826, and died in Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 4, 1873. 2. Aiken Mann was born in a small village near New Orleans, La., June 15, 1835, and died in Paris, France, Aug. 11, 1868. 3. James W. Wallack Jr. was born in London, Eng., Feb. 24, 1818, and died in Shooter's Island, N. Y., on the same route from Aiken, S. C., to New York City, May 23, 1873. 4. Charlotte Cushman was born in Boston, Mass., July 23, 1815, and died in that city Feb. 18, 1876. 5. Sher. Campbell produced his play near New Haven, Conn., on July 16, 1868, and in Chicago, Ill., Nov. 26, 1874. 6. The late Mme. Parepa-Rosa was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, May 7, 1836. 7. The late Elise Holt was born in London, Eng., July 11, 1847.

DUN KNAPP, Rochester.—Eighth of the League, and the New Haven and Philadelphia Clubs, the former fighting for the League pennant, and the New Havens for the New England championship, and the Philadelphias the Connecticut championship. 2. About forty years of age. 3. The catcher's position is the most difficult of all in the field in these days of swift pitching. 4. The St. Louis people prefer Dehlman; the Hartford Mills, Mr. Burdock; what do Bond is, nor what salary he gets. 6. We have not seen his name in any nine as yet. 7. McGeary is the captain of the St. Louis nine, Mr. Pearce, superseded.

MISSOURI, New Orleans.—1. Those works are either English or French, and will be of little or no use to you. The English books, which can be got by writing to Routledge & Co., Imported and generally by Fardon, Capt. Crawley, Marden, John Roberts Sr., William Dutton, and others. The French works you would have to write to Paris for. 2. There is no work on the game of billiards (pocket billiards), viz., "Billiards Without a Master," "Illustrated Handbook of Billiards," and "The Game of Billiards," all by Michael Phelan. The first is out of print; the other two can be got of H. M. Kolander, Callender, Broadway.

O. W. T., Morrisonville.—"1. The catcher is catching close behind the bat; there is one man on first base; he starts to make second as the ball is thrown to the batter; the catcher catches it and has thrown the ball to first base before the base-runner returns; is he out? 2. Can a player be put out on a foul ball caught before touching the ground, if it is thrown to first base by the catcher, and the return to the base, the same way as in the case where a fair fly has been caught?" ..... 1. Yes. 2. Yes.

INQUIRER, Chicago.—1. Traveling expenses and boarding, without extras, in the United States may pass similar laws. Massachusetts has already done so. 3. When a child, you commence to practice contortion feats, as the bones are then supple, and can be kept comparatively so by constant practice. 4. Contortionists command from $25 per week upward, according to merit and reputation. 5. We know of no circus that will start out after the middle of June. 4. It may be best to go with a traveling show.

QUIEN SABE, Albany.—1. At draw-poker, before the draw, any player can pass when no bet has been made, and can afterwards come in. If having in this case passed out of the ante, who then opened, he became his when no one chipped to see him. There was no necessity of his showing cards. 2. B is entitled to a sight for all the money he has got. If a can beat money or not, as he pleases. 3. Jack pots are an innovation upon poker.

BILLY BOGUS, St. Louis.—1. We cannot tell you whether Mary Anderson is an assumed name for professional purposes, or that is lady's real name. 2. Miss Anderson is said to have made his first appearance on any stage at the Richmond, Va., Theatre, as Peter in "The Stranger," in December, 1869. We cannot answer the question about his hits with baseball bats, as no records are kept of the distances of the drives.

RHODE ISLAND, Providence.—"In a game of baseball two men are on base, and another (A) on first. B, the striker, hits a long ball to left-field, and starts for a home-run. A stumbles at second-base, and B, who is a very swift runner, overtakes and passes him between second and third. A recovers himself and is put out at home-base. Does B's run count?" ..... No.

A. AND B, Chicago.—B loses. Action was had on the bet, and the St. Louis Browns had played two innings. Bets on the result are off, because no result was reached; but the first and second innings were reached, and all bets stand that were specifically based on either inning.

A. G. S., Fort Yuma.—1. A was entitled to the game when he called out. 2. Heenan and Sayers fought April 17, 1860. 3. Baseball has in one sense always been a national game. In exactly what year it became *the* national outdoor game, it would be hard to determine. 4. Expires with the 27th of this month.

H. V. W., Norfolk.—1. It means "buy beer" as often as anything else. 2. A comic opera so called, "Li Gieus de Robin et de Marion," was composed by Adam de la Hale, in the thirteenth century; but the first composer of operas for the modern orchestra was Mozart, whose "Idomeneo," composed in 1780, marked a new era in opera. 3. Pronounced as if spelled Da-bew.

M. J. M., Elyria.—1. No. There is no authentic record of Thompson's lifting. 2. Johnny Sweetman beat Bill Thompson at Point Abino, Canada, Sept. 20, 1856; and Johnny Dutch Sam, same place, Nov. 13, 1855. His weight was 121lb. 3. The heaviest dumb-bell ever put up in public weighed 201¾lb, and was elevated by R. A. Pennell, in this city.

T. B. C., Elizabethport.—The Mutuals first played the Chicago nine in 1870, at Brooklyn, on July 6, when the Whites were defeated, 13 to 4. The return game was played in Chicago July 23, when the Mutuals won by 9 to 6, in a full nine-innings game, that being the original "Chicago" score.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.—B is in error. A having combined eights, the pile could not be built upon by either B or A. The latter could subsequently add one or more eights, but nothing could change the denomination of the pile. Had A combined to 8 simply, B could have built it to nine or ten.

ALLIE MORTON, Cincinnati.—Managers do not engage people to write songs for them. If you wish to become a song-and-dance performer, get some person in that line of business performing in your city to give you instruction, and when you have learned the business sufficiently he will introduce you to some manager.

J. W. B., Brooklyn.—A player at pinochle can call "forty trumps," and at a subsequent play can call "150 trumps." The difference is that, having once called 150, he exhausts the trumps, and cannot subsequently call 40 on the king and queen, which have been once counted.

A. M. H. AND B. M. D.—There is no question to decide. The odd trick belongs to the player who was 7 offered three to the one who was 9 he put the latter out. If the latter did not take the three, he does not know how to play cards; and, besides, he goes up three, having made but one.

A. E., Chicago.—The triple somersault was never turned without the use of a spring-board. With that assistance, it is claimed to have been done by John Aymar in London, Eng., in 1843; also by James Wheeler, an English clown.

P. F. N., Newark.—Capt. A. H. Bogardus killed 100 birds (same device) consecutively at Dexter Park, Chicago, Ill., in 1869. Nine of the birds, it is said, fell further than eight feet from the trap, while ninety were gathered within a radius of five feet.

C. S. F., Salt Lake.—Booth's testimonial benefit at the Park Theatre, Brooklyn, L. I., Edwin Adams acted Charles Courtney in "Courtney in London Assurance," the late Mrs. F. B. Conway playing Lady Gay Spanker; John Brougham, Sir Harcourt Courtley; and Charles Roche, Dazzle.

W. R., Fort Hamilton.—1. You are too old to adopt the stage as a profession, unless you would be content to play old men. 2. Your ability is considerable. 3. Your amateur experience will avail you naught. 4. Apply to some manager in person.

EUSTACE, Newport.—1. In any New York daily; but more of them will be found in *The Herald* than in any other. 2. It is not against the law in most places, though in many it would probably be regarded as an evasion of the liquor law, and as such could be stopped.

J. F. B.—1. There are two kinds of horse-power—nominal and actual. Thus the Britannic, one of the largest steamers afloat, is but 760 nominal horse-power, and yet on her trial trip her engines were worked up to 5,000 actual horse-power.

G. W. G., Utica.—If there is any dispute that it is desirable we should decide, it will have to be stated. We cannot spare space to give a mass of statistics when a dozen figures may suffice.

R. E. R., Chicago.—Why did you not send a full list of the new ministerial company? Should we observe the form in the new letters appear when printed, and adopt that style in the future.

R. CRUCHMAN, Huntsville.—1. Either A or B should have called "game." One of them had necessarily to be 21 before the last card was played. 2. That player is out who first calls out. 3. There is no routine as to counting points.

C. E. L. M., Fostoria.—The statement has been made that J. Martin of Ypsilanti, Mich., "has frequently lifted 1,300lb with one hand," but we don't believe he ever did.

E. G., Philadelphia.—1. See some minstrel manager in person. Let him hear you sing, and then solicit an engagement. 2. An advertisement would be of service. 3, 4. An agent would do you no good, because you are unknown.

ED. H. B., Philadelphia.—George Seward, the celebrated pedestrian, was born at New Haven, Ct., nearly fifty-nine years ago. We believe he is still living, but whether in this country or England we cannot say.

TEXIKANA.—1. At the Olympic, Aug. 4. Bennet cleared 34ft. 3in., in three stand-forward jumps, at the Olympic Club games, San Francisco, Cal. This is the best of which we have an authentic record.

G. J. F., San Francisco.—Provided it has been agreed to play flushes, a player can of course draw to a four-flush, and it will count if he fills. No answers by mail to questions of this character, in order any of the contestants.

BARNARD BROS., Newburyport.—There are plenty of acrobats who can do the feats you name; still your own arrangement of them might entitle you to style them "a new and original brother act."

J. J. C.—Delehanty and Hengler both made their debut in Albany, N. Y., in 1869, but did not perform together until 1866. Delehanty was 5ft 11in. the taller, and Hengler did the work business.

J. L., Dundee.—1. He does not lose the game merely because he played with six cards. The game for him to claim a misdeal was before he played a card.

WM. Clinton.—We have no time to enumerate those papers. Looking time, we should fail to give anything like a complete list.

W. C., Chicago.—No answers by mail. The late G. V. Brooke was lost Jan. 11, 1866, in the Bay of Biscay, in the steamship London, en route from England to Australia.

CHARLES NEIL, Kingston.—Your communication has been handed to me by his brother Joe, to 1,200 North Sixth street, St. Louis, Mo.

H., Brooklyn.—1. The Wikes Family have acted in "The Belles of the Kitchen," "Fun in a Fog," etc, in Niblo's Garden. 2. Will answer in next issue.

BOND HILL.—1. There should be a new deal. 2. Sixty-one points; but oftener than otherwise 121 points are played.

J. W. R., St. Louis.—1. Mace and Goss arrived in Boston, Mass., from England, on Saturday, April 15. 2. We have no such record.

J. W. J., Cleveland.—We are not prepared to give a positive answer this week. It has not knowingly appeared in that length of time.

COAL, Baltimore.—Broad street, Philadelphia's, is opened and graded for travel from League Island to Fisher's lane, a distance approximately of nine miles and three-tenths.

K. Y. W.—Red O'Baldy is and Jim Mace met in the ring, as opponents, at Collier Station, West Va., Aug. 21, 1872, but could not agree upon a referee.

J. W.—THE CLIPPER ALMANAC, price 15 cents, will tell you all about it.

DUPONT.—We did not publish obituary notice, for the simple reason that the party spoken of is alive.

EDWARD LEONOR, Winnipeg.—The Heenan-Sayers battle ended in a draw.

JACK AND JILL, St. Louis.—From Ed. James, whose address may be found in our business department.

H. O. S., Royalton.—A player running bases can be put out by a foul fly-ball caught, just the same as in the case of a fair fly.

THREE THE BOSTON.—Harry Wright was born in England, but came to the country when very young. He played with the Cricket Club of New York, when they were brought up.

PLAYER, Grand Rapids.—The Athletic and Boston nines did not play against any English opponents at baseball on their tour, as baseball was unknown in existence.

A. B. C., Rochester.—The muscles of the arms are doubtless overworked. Take some rest, and bathe your arms with cold water in the morning.

E. J. W., Sandusky.—A male child born abroad, of American parents (temporarily residing there), is eligible to the Presidency of the United States.

CLIPPER READER, Chicago.—As the candidate withdrew before the opening of the polls, there was no race, and the bet is a draw.

D. F., Lawrence.—1. Reports of those fights are not obtainable. 2. English Flotiana is out of print. 3. Yes. 4. Jesse Grayson, Scottish pitcher for the Atlantic nine in the eleven-innings, 9 to 7, victory of the Atlantics over the Cincinnati Reds in 1870.

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BASEBALL.

GAMES TO BE PLAYED.

May 9, Chicago vs. Cincinnati, at Chicago, Ill.
May 9, Louisville vs. St. Louis, at St. Louis, Mo.
May 9, Campbell vs. Kleinz, at Philadelphia.
May 9, Live Oak vs. Fall River, at Fall River, Mass.
May 10, New Haven vs. Hartford, at New Haven, Ct.
May 10, Philadelphia vs. Kleinz, at Philadelphia.
May 10, Harvard vs. Brown University, at Providence, R. I
May 10, Fall River vs. Rhode Island, at Fall River.
May 10, Star of Newark vs. Orange, at Orange, N. J.
May 10, Arlington vs. Athletic, at Brooklyn, N. Y.
May 10, Mutual of New York vs. Contest, at Brooklyn.
May 11, Philadelphia vs. Campbell, at Philadelphia.
May 11, Athletic vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn.
May 11, Cricket vs. Carbondale, at Carbondale, Pa.
May 11, Live Oak vs. Rhode Island, at Providence.
May 11, Fall River vs. Suffolk, at Boston, Mass.
May 11, Boston vs. Harvard, at Boston.
May 11, Chicago vs. Cincinnati, at Chicago.
May 11, Louisville vs. St. Louis, at St. Louis.
May 12, Athletic vs. Hartford, at Hartford, Ct.
May 12, Philadelphia vs. Centennial, at Philadelphia.
May 12, New Haven vs. Live Oak, at New Haven.
May 12, Alaska vs. Chaiham, at Hoboken, N. J.
May 12, Lowell vs. Fall River, at Lowell, Mass.
May 12, Cricket vs. Wilkesbarre, at Wilkesbarre, Pa.
May 13, Boston vs. Athletic, at Boston.
May 13, Chicago vs. Louisville, at Chicago.
May 13, Cincinnati vs. St. Louis, at St. Louis.
May 13, Harvard vs. Brown, at Boston.
May 13, Philadelphia vs. Actives, at Reading, Pa.
May 13, Live Oak vs. Fall River, at Lynn, Mass.
May 13, Hoboken vs. Stevens' Institute, Hoboken, N. J.
May 15, Athletic vs. Boston, at Boston.
May 15, Philadelphia vs. New Haven, at Philadelphia.
May 16, Athletic vs. Hartford, at Hartford.

HARTFORD vs. ATHLETIC.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CLIPPER.
BASEBALL GROUNDS, PHILA., May 8, 1876.

The second game between the Hartfords and Athletics was witnessed by about a thousand persons this afternoon. Errors of Coons and Ferguson gave each nine a run in the first inning, and a two-baser by Knight earned a run in the second inning. The poor playing of Sutton, right field, and five clean hits gave the Hartfords three runs in the third, after two men were out, two being earned. Fisler and Sutton then changed positions. The Athletics scored another run in the fifth inning on Eggler's good hit and an error of Ferguson's. In the ninth inning Burdock was given a base on called balls, and fine hits by Higham, Ferguson and Bond, and a passed ball, gave three runs—one being earned. Fowser's splendid three-baser earned a run for the Athletics in the last inning, leaving the visitors triumphant by the score appended:

HARTFORD.	TB.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2d b.	5	3	1	2	1	1
Remsen, c. f.	5	0	0	5	0	0
Higham, r. f.	5	1	2	1	0	0
Ferguson, 3b.	5	1	3	2	1	2
Carey, s. s.	5	1	2	1	4	0
Bond, p.	5	0	2	0	1	0
York, l. f.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Mills, 1st b.	5	0	0	8	0	1
Harbidge, c.	4	1	1	5	1	3
Totals	43	7	12	27	8	7

ATHLETIC.	TB.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Force, s. s.	5	1	1	1	0	1
Eggler, c. f.	4	1	1	4	0	0
Fisler, r. f.	4	0	1	8	0	0
Meyerle, 3d b	4	0	2	1	2	0
Sutton, 1st b.	4	0	0	5	0	0
Coons, c.	4	0	1	4	0	3
Hall, l. f.	4	0	1	2	0	0
Fowser, 2d b	4	2	2	2	2	0
Knight, p.	4	0	1	2	1	0
Totals	37	4	10	27	5	4

Hartford	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3—7
Athletic	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0—4

Runs earned—Hartford, 3; Athletic, 2. First base by errors—Hartford, 4. Umpire, Geo. Heubel. Time, 2h.

THE PROFESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.

There is now no doubt of the fact that we are having one of the most brilliant exhibitions of ballplaying in the professional arena known to the history of the game. The season's campaign began only on April 22, and, though to-day is but the 8th of May, a glance at the record of model games played by the professional clubs within that period will suffice to show that the season's play thus far presents scores which the best games of last season do not excel; and it must be borne in mind, too, that this is the product of the first month's play of the season, and not the result of three months' efficient practice and training in playing championship matches, as was the case when the best-played games of 1875 occurred. The April average of 1875 was nine runs and over for the winning teams, and three and over for the losing, the best average for that season—in August—being 7 and 9 over, and 2-29, while the April average of 1876 is 7 and 5 over for the winning nines and 2 and 9 for the losing, thus excelling the best averages on record. The twelve innings' contest between the Mutual and Athletic Clubs—fully described elsewhere—is the most sensational event during the past week in the Eastern arena, while out West the fine contest at St. Louis between the Browns and the Whites of St. Louis and Chicago was the finest exhibition ever witnessed in the West, marked as it was by the remarkable score of 1 to 0, the one run being obtained in the first inning.

The model games thus far played in the West have been:

St. Louis vs. Chicago, at St. Louis	1 to 0
Cincinnati vs. St. Louis, at Cincinnati	2 1
Cincinnati vs. Louisville, at Cincinnati	3 2
Chicago vs. Louisville, at Louisville	1 0
Cincinnati vs. St. Louis, at Cincinnati	5 2
St. Louis vs. Louisville, at Louisville	6 2

These were all the single-figure contests out of ten games played there.

The model games of the East are as follows:

Mutual vs. Athletic, at Brooklyn (12 innings)	3 to 2
Hartford vs. Boston, at Boston (10 innings)	3 2
Hartford vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn	6 5
Hartford vs. Athletic, at Philadelphia	6 3
Boston vs. Athletic, at Philadelphia	6 5
Athletic vs. Mutual, at Philadelphia	6 5
Boston vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn	7 6
Mutual vs. Hartford, at Brooklyn	3

In addition to these there are the following single-figure games in which the New Haven and Philadelphia Clubs have taken part with League Club opponents:

Boston vs. New Haven, at New Haven	4 to 1
Athletic vs. Philadelphia, at Philadelphia	6
New Haven vs. Hartford, at Hartford	6 4
New Haven vs. Hartford, at New Haven	7 6
Boston vs. New Haven, at New London	3 2
Mutual vs. New Haven, at Brooklyn	8 2
Boston vs. New Haven, at New Haven	9 8

While the majority of single-figure contests remain with the East, the ratio is in favor of the West; they having, too, the smallest average of runs and the smallest scores, thereby showing better fielding and more accurate batting. We notice that out West, as well as in the East, the players are often charged with poor batting, when the single figures only are scored. The fact is, the small scores, as a general thing, show the very reverse, because they prove pretty conclusively that the fielding has been sharp and the pitching pretty accurate; and therefore the batting must have been remarkably good indeed to have obtained base-hits, whereas double-figure scores invariably show poor fielding, if not wild pitching, and in such case it is not skill at the bat which secures either runs or base-hits.

The official record of the League pennant contests to May 6, inclusive, is as follows:

Clubs.	Athletic	Boston	Chicago	Cincinnati	Hartford	Louisville	Mutual	St. Louis	Games Won.
Athletic		1	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
Boston	1		0	0	0	0	2	0	3
Chicago	0	0		0	2	1	0	2	5
Cincinnati	0	0	0		2	1	0	2	3
Hartford	1	2	0	0		0	1	0	4
Louisville	0	0	1	1	0		0	0	2
Mutual	1	0	0	0	1	0		0	2
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		1
Games Lost	3	3	1	1	3	1	4	5	3 25

A summary of the above shows the relative positions of the ten clubs in the arena to be as follows:

Clubs.	Won.	Lost	Clubs.	Won.	Lost
Chicago	5	1	St. Louis	3	5
Hartford	4	3	Louisville	2	4
Cincinnati	3	2	Mutual	2	4
Athletic	3	3	New Haven	3	7
Boston	3	3	Philadelphia	0	3

The contests of the two latter clubs with the League nines are alone counted in the above record. Chicago leads the League clubs in the West, and Hartford those of the East.

ALASKA vs. NAMELESS.

The semi-professional Alaskas of New York and the amateur Nameless nine of Brooklyn had a close game together at the Capitoline Grounds, in the latter city, on May 6, as the appended score shows. From the fifth to the eighth inning the score remained a blank, each club having put in two runs, but in the last inning the Alaskas made a run, which won the game. The following is the score:

ALASKA.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Hovey, c. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Quilty, c.	0	0	4	1	0
Hankinson, p.	2	3	0	2	2
Sullivan, l. f.	1	1	1	0	0
Wadsworth, s. s.	0	0	1	6	0
Galpin, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Rice, 1st b.	0	0	14	0	3
Dunning, 2d b.	0	1	1	0	1
Clayton, 3d b.	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	3	6	27	9	7

NAMELESS.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Grierson, c.	1	1	5	1	0
Lee, l. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Bigle, r. f.	0	0	0	1	1
Breen, c. f.	0	0	3	1	2
Nelson, p.	0	0	0	6	0
Slade, 3d b.	2	0	1	4	1
Walters, s. s.	1	1	0	2	1
Kenny, 1st b.	0	1	10	1	0
Smith, 1st b.	0	0	15	0	5
Totals	4	5	27	15	10

Alaska	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	—3
Nameless	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	—4

Runs earned—None. First-base by errors—Alaska, 6; Nameless, 5. Umpire, Mr. Laughlin. Time, 2h.

The Nameless boys found it extremely hard to hit Hankinson, and really did not make a base-hit, there being balls that were hit too late and sent in the air over first-base, and were very near being foul balls.

BOSTON vs. MUTUAL.

The Brooklyn Mutuals made their appearance in Boston, Mass., May 6, and, crippled as they were by the absence of their catcher, Hicks, who was suffering from injuries received in play, they fell a rather easy prey to the Red Legs of the Hub. Mcguinness of the Nassaus was placed behind the bat for the "Mutes," but his play fell considerably below that shown by Hicks. He was relieved in the second inning by Craver, but in the seventh they changed back again. During the game Manning Mac was the unlucky recipient of a sharp tap on the nose by a tip from McGinley's bat, which caused a suspension of play for about twenty minutes, when McGuinness again faced the music. The game was interesting, albeit the score underneath has a one-sided appearance:

BOSTON.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Leonard, 3d b.	2	4	0	5	1
O'Rourke, l. f.	3	1	1	0	0
Murnan, 1st b.	3	1	15	0	0
Schafer, 2d b.	2	2	2	2	0
McGinley, c. f.	0	1	1	0	1
Manning, r. f.	1	2	0	1	0
Morrill, c.	0	0	3	0	0
Mallogy, p.	0	2	0	2	1
Totals	12	15	27	15	7

MUTUAL.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Craver, c.	0	0	3	5	0
Treacy, 1f.	1	1	2	2	0
Start, 1st b.	0	1	13	0	1
Hallinan, s. s.	1	1	0	2	0
McGuinness, p.	2	0	0	1	1
Booth, r. f.	1	1	4	0	1
Holdsworth, c. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Mathews, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Nash, p.	0	0	0	3	1
Totals	5	7	27	13	4

Boston	3	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1—7
Mutual	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3—5

Runs earned—Boston, 3; Mutual, 1. Total base-hits—Boston, 16; Mutual, 7. First base on errors—Boston, 6, including 1 on 3 balls; Mutuals 6, including 2 on called balls. Fly catches—Boston, 9; Mutual, 11. Left on bases—Boston, 7; Mutual, 5. Umpire, Mr. Hodges of the Sands Club of Boston. Time, 3h.

HARTFORD vs. BOSTON.

It will be remembered that in the first championship game between these clubs, played on the Boston's Grounds April 29, the Connecticuters won by one run, after playing ten innings. Their second meeting took place at Hartford on Monday, May 1, and considerably over one thousand spectators turned out in the hope of seeing their pet club repeat their great triumph, which they did, and more, too, the Reds being vanquished five to one.

HARTFORD.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2d b.	0	2	2	3	1
Remsen, c. f.	0	2	2	4	0
Higham, r. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Ferguson, 3d b.	1	1	2	2	0
Carey, s. s.	1	1	3	2	4
Bond, p.	0	0	1	3	0
York, l. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Mills, 1st b.	0	0	9	0	0
Harbidge, c.	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	2	6	21	14	6

BOSTON.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Wright, s. s.	0	0	2	4	0
Leonard, 2d b.	0	0	1	0	1
O'Rourke, l. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Murnan, 1st b.	0	1	9	0	0
McGinley, c.	0	0	3	0	3
Manning, r. f.	0	0	2	2	0
Schafer, 3d b.	0	0	0	2	0
Mallogy, p.	0	0	0	2	0
Josephs, p.	0	0	1	0	2
Totals	0	1	27	10	6

Hartford	0	0	1	0	5	3	2	1	3—15
Boston	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—3

Earned runs—Hartford, 5. First base by errors—Hartford, 7; Boston, 4. Left on bases—Hartford, 8; Boston, 4. Struck out—Hartford, 3; Boston, 0. Two-base hits—Burdock, Remsen, Carey, and Mills, 1 each. Umpire, Charles Daniels. Time, 2h. 45m.

THE NEW HAVENS are to set out on a tour of about five weeks' duration on the 15th inst., when they meet the Philadelphias on the latter's grounds. They go as far as St. Louis, Mo.

THERE ARE LETTERS in our care addressed as follows: Manager Mutual B. B. Club, and Thos. Fallon, late of the Flyaway B. B. Club.

ATHLETIC vs. HARTFORD.

The first championship game between the Athletics and Hartfords was played on May 6 on the former's grounds, at Twenty-fifth and Jefferson streets, Philadelphia. The weather was bright and favorable, and about fifteen hundred persons were present. The Athletics were the favorites in the betting at the odds of 100 to 70, Coons making his reappearance with them, while the Hartfords were without the services of their regular catcher, Allison, his place on their nine being filled by Harbidge. The game was finely played, the Athletics starting off with the lead; but it was wrested from them on the sixth inning, and the Hartfords finally won by a score of 6 to 3. The Hartfords went first to the bat, and Burdock's "block" enabled him to reach first base in safety, and wild throws by Coons and Fowser then sent him round the bases. The good batting of Eggler, Meyerle and Sutton earned a couple of runs for the Athletics in the first inning, but they failed to score more than an additional run during the remainder of the game, although seven men reached their bases by clean hits, and one on called balls, Sutton's and Coons' good hits in the sixth inning, and a passed ball, giving the former the other run made by the Athletics. The Hartfords, by a good hit of Higham's and Fouser's error, were enabled to tie their opponents' score in the fourth inning, and their good batting in the sixth and eighth innings yielded them four more, York's three-baser and Bond's two-baser each inning sending home a couple of men. The Hartfords played finely in the field, a splendid pick-up of a low hot liner by Ferguson and a difficult running catch by York being noteworthy. They also batted unusually well, Burdock's "fair-foul" hits giving him the lead. The Athletics batted well in the first inning, but afterwards failed to get in their hits at the proper time. A magnificent running catch by Hall, a sharp liner held by Knight, and Eggler's exceedingly brilliant outfielding were features that deservedly elicited great applause. The Hartfords outbatted their opponents, and thus won a creditable victory by the following score:

HARTFORD.	TB.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2b.	5	1	3	2	1	0
Remsen, c. f.	5	0	1	5	0	0
Higham, r. f.	5	1	1	0	0	0
Ferguson, 3b.	5	1	1	2	0	0
Carey, s. s.	4	2	2	2	3	0
Bond, p.	4	1	2	0	3	0
York, l. f.	4	0	2	3	0	0
Mills, 1st b.	5	0	0	8	0	1
Harbidge, c.	4	0	1	5	2	4
Totals	41	6	13	27	9	5

ATHLETIC.	TB.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Force, s. s.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Eggler, c. f.	4	1	1	1	2	0
Fisler, 1st b.	4	0	0	5	0	0
Meyerle, 3d b	4	0	1	2	2	0
Sutton, r. f.	4	1	1	3	2	0
Coons, c.	4	0	1	3	1	2
Hall, l. f.	4	0	2	3	0	0
Fowser, 2d b	4	0	1	2	3	0
Knight, p.	4	0	1	2	0	1
Totals	36	3	10	27	7	7

Hartford	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	0—6
Athletic	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—3

Runs earned—Hartford, 3; Athletic, 2. Total bases on hits—Hartford, 16; Athletic, 10. First base by errors—Hartford, 3; Athletic, 0. Total left on bases—Hartford, 8; Athletic, 6. Umpire, Wm McLean. Time, 2h.

NEW HAVEN vs. HARTFORD.

Something which no one unaware of the glorious uncertainties of baseball would have dreamed of occurred last week in the contests between the above clubs, both of which were won by the Elm City nine—a result which occasioned much surprise, flushed as were the Hartfords with their double victory over the Keatons. The first game was played on the 3d inst. at Hartford, and its loss by the local nine was ascribed to errors resulting from loose, careless play on the part of Carey. In the first inning Burdock and Higham got base-hits, and, assisted by an error by Cassidy and long hits, by which the latter scored. Two more runs were added to the Hartfords' score in the fourth inning on hits by Cummings and Allison and errors by Nichols and Cassidy, the former giving Ferguson a base on three balls, in the sixth the New Havens began work, base-hits by Parsons and Fleet, and two-baser by Harbor and Cassidy, with bad errors by Mills and Carey, giving four runs and tieing the score, which was settled by the New Havens scoring two runs in the last inning on hits by Nichols and Fleet, and errors by Ferguson and Cummings. The score follows:

NEW HAVEN.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Fleet, 2d b.	1	3	5	1	1
Waitt, r. f.	1	0	1	1	0
Fabor, l. f.	1	1	2	0	0
Cassidy, 1st b.	0	2	9	0	2
Seward, c.	0	0	4	2	1
Spence, 3d b.	0	0	2	1	2
Wright, s. s.	0	0	0	5	0
Nichols, p.	1	2	3	3	1
Parsons, c. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	6	10	27	16	8

HARTFORD.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2b.	1	1	2	5	0
Remsen, c. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Higham, r. f.	1	1	1	0	0
Ferguson, 3b.	1	1	1	2	1
Carey, s. s.	0	0	1	2	2
Bond, p.	0	0	0	3	0
Mills, 1st b.	0	0	8	0	1
Harbidge, c.	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	3	4	15	12	4

New Haven	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	—4
Hartford	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	—4

Earned runs—New Haven, 2; Hartford, 1. First base by errors—New Haven, 7; Hartford, 6. Two-base hits—Fabor and Cassidy, 1 each. Umpire, Parks of Boston. Time, 1h. 40m.

The return game was in order in New Haven on the following day, and was witnessed by an unusually large concourse of people, who were afforded one of the greatest treats they've enjoyed in the baseball line for a long time, and then the great majority were sent home rejoicing over the second triumph of the home nine. The Leaguers made a determined fight; but, though it was anybody's game at the close of the ninth inning, when 5 to 5 was the score, the New Havens proved equal to the emergency. They prevented their opponents making more than one in the tenth inning, and, adding two by their own score, showed one ahead at the close. The New Havens scored two runs in the first inning on base-hits by Fleet, Waitt and Seward, aided by errors of Remsen and York. No more were made until the third inning, when the Hartfords scored four on three singles by Remsen, Higham and Ferguson, aided by errors of Seward, Nichols and Wright. In the fifth inning they added one on Higham's single and failures by Pabor and Cassidy. In the sixth inning the New Havens tied the score, scoring three by hits of Pabor, Seward, Spence and Wright, aided by York's fumble and a muff by Burdock. No more were made until the tenth inning, when the New Havens scored two on single hits by Waitt and Pabor, aided by sharp baserunning and wild throws from Burdock and Ferguson, the Hartfords scored one on a muff by Parsons, a single hit by York, and a wild throw from Seward to third. The result:

NEW HAVEN.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Fleet, 2d b.	0	0	1	3	2
Waitt, r. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Pabor, l. f.	1	2	1	0	0
Cassidy, 1st b.	0	0	9	0	0
Seward, c.	0	1	6	1	1
Spence, 3d b.	1	1	1	4	0
Wright, s. s.	0	0	1	2	0
Nichols, p.	0	0	0	2	0
Parsons, c. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	2	5	21	12	3

HARTFORD.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2d b.	0	1	1	5	2
Remsen, c. f.	1	1	3	0	1
Higham, r. f.	2	2	1	0	0
Ferguson, 3d b.	1	1	1	1	1
Carey, s. s.	0	0	0	5	1
Bond, p.	0	0	0	1	0
York, l. f.	1	1	2	0	0
Mills, 1st b.	0	0	11	0	1
Harbidge, c.	0	0	5	0	0
Totals	5	6	24	12	6

New Haven	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	—2
Hartford	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	—5

Earned runs—New Haven, 1; Hartford, 2. First base by errors—New Haven, 4; Hartford, 6. Two-base hits—Pabor and Higham, 1 each. Left on bases—New Haven, 2; Hartford, 6. Double-plays—Hartford, 2. Time, 1h. 57 m. Umpire, Mr. Blodgett of the Arlingtons.

CHICAGO vs. ST. LOUIS

The Chicago Whites, minus the services of McVey, met the St. Louis nine at St. Louis, Mo., for the first time this season on Thursday, May 4, when, after two innings had been played, in which Chicago scored two runs to St. Louis' one, a heavy shower caused a postponement of the game until the following day. On the 5th, to the surprise of nearly everybody, the Chicagos were defeated by a score of 1 to 0, the single run being obtained in the first inning by errors in the infield.

The game was a brilliant one from the start to the finish, and it was won on its merits, the Browns both outbatting and outfielding their opponents. The pitching was so good that neither nine used the stick with much effect; but the fielding was very fine, the Browns being credited with but three errors—Bradley giving a man a base on three balls, McGeary juggling a bounder, and Dehlman failing to handle a low throw to third in stopping a runner in time. Clapp secured the only run of the game, Spalding allowing him to reach first on a miserable throw, McGeary sending him to second on a fair foul, and Pike bringing him home. This occurred in the first inning, and, although they endeavored desperately to offset the advantage, the Whites failed to get the hang of Bradley's pitching, and were defeated. Bradley was in splendid trim, and such batsmen as Hines, Barnes, Spalding and Anson failed to secure a single hit. Peters, however, pasted his one nicely, and White got a chipper hit to third, which was all that the White Stockings could accomplish in the batting line. On the other hand, St. Louis secured seven base-hits off Spalding, Bradley being credited with two, and Dehlman, Blong, Pike, McGeary and Cuthbert with one each. The catching of White and Clapp was superb, neither committing a single error. Mack, Battin, Glenn, and all of the outfielders are also deserving of credit. Peters, however, carried off the honors of the day in the field, the little fellow being always in the right spot when wanted. He made several very handsome stops, and in the ninth inning retired all three of the Browns as they came to the bat. His record shows one put-out and seven assistances, without a single error. A marked feature of the game was the brilliant double-play accomplished by Hines in the fourth inning. After making an apparently impossible catch, he sent the sphere like a shot to first, and caught Pike off that base. Some Boston points were also shown the crowd by the artist White, notably in the first, second and seventh innings, when McGeary and Blong were deprived of runs in a manner particularly White's own.

CHICAGO.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Barnes, 2d b.	0	0	1	3	1
Anson, 3d b.	0	0	1	4	2
Hines, c. f.	0	0	2	1	0
Spalding, p.	0	0	1	0	2
Addy, l. f.	0	0	2	0	1
White, c.	0	1	4	2	0
Peters, s. s.	0	0	1	1	0
Glenn, 1st b.	0	0	12	0	1
Bielaski, r. f.	0	0	3	0	1
Totals	0	2	27	17	8

ST. LOUIS.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Baldwin, 2d b.	0	0	1	3	1
Blong, r. f.	0	1	4	2	0
Bradley, p.	0	0	2	1	2
Dehlman, 1st b.	0	1	11	0	1
Mack, s. s.	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	1	2	27	11	3

St. Louis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1
Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

Runs earned—One. Double-plays—Hines and Glenn. Bases on called balls—Chicago, 1.

The return match, arranged for Saturday, May 6, was also postponed, on account of rain, until Monday, the 8th.

STAR vs. ITHACA.

At Lakeside Park, Syracuse, N. Y., on May 5, the Stars of that city proved their superiority over the Ithaca (N. Y.) Club. The match was watched by nearly a thousand persons, though the weather was threatening, and good play was shown, considering the bad condition of the ground.

STAR.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Geer, 2d b.	1	0	3	2	0
Dorgan, p.	0	1	1	5	0
Furroy, p.	0	0	1	0	0
McKinnon, 1st b	1	1	9	0	1
Boston, c. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Crosscup, r. f.	0	0	2	0	0
Madden, 3d b.	2	1	1	0	1
Burns, s. s.	0	0	1	2	0
McCormick, c. f.	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	5	3	27	9	3

ITHACA.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
McCaffrey, l. f.	0	1	3	0	1
Richmond, c.	0	0	5	0	0
Carpenter, 1st b	1	1	13	0	1
Treman, 2d b.	1	1	3	3	2
Jones, c. f.	0	0	2	1	0
Clapp, r. f.	1	1	0	0	0
Spencer, c. f.	0	2	1	0	1
Burns, 3d b.	0	0	1	3	1
Alcott, p.	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	3	6	29	8	6

Star	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1
Ithaca	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

HARVARD vs. SUFFOLK.

The Suffolk Club of Boston, Mass., made their first appearance this season May 5 in a game with the Harvards at Cambridge, the latter winning by the score subjoined.

HARVARD.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Leeds, s. s.	1	0	1	0	1
Wright, 1st b.	1	1	13	0	1
Tower, c. f.	1	0	1	0	0
Ernst, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Thayer, 3d b.	2	2	0	2	1
Ellis, r. f.	2	0	1	0	0
Bird, l. f.	1	0	1	0	0
Thatcher, c.	0	0	8	4	2
Sawyer, 2d b.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	5	27	11	6

SUFFOLK.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Hodges, 3d b.	0	0	1	3	2
Bugge, l. f.	0	0	7	0	1
Mansfield, 1st b.	0	0	8	2	1
Ferris, p.	0	0	0	3	0
Eustis, r. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Nunn, s. s.	0	0	2	2	0
Boyd, 2d b.	0	0	2	2	0
Kearns, c.	0	1	7	3	1
Beals, p.	1	0	0	2	2
Totals	1	1	27	17	10

Harvard	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	1

ON ONE "WHO LOVED NOT WISELY, BUT TOO WELL."

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY JOEL G. FLOYD.

"Why look so sad?" I hear you say,
"When birds are singing,
Flowers are springing,
And bells are ringing,
And all is joy this bright Spring-day?"
"Why do I weep?" Oh, ask me not!
I've been misled;
My hopes are fled,
My heart is dead,
Others are loved while I'm forgot.

Awake my heart, my God, to love
Of Thee in Heaven,
My body shriven,
My sins forgiven—
Oh, take me to thy realms above!

For I am weary, I would rest;
I weep, I sigh,
I pray to die,
That I may lie
Deep buried in the old earth's breast.

Yes, I would die; I'm left alone,
I've none that's dear,
No loved one near;
I'm weary here,
Unloved, dishonored and unknown.

Then take me home, all-loving God!
Forgive my wrong,
And in glad song
May I prolong
Thy praises in thy bright abode.

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THE PRIDE OF PIUTE;
OR,
THE LOVE THAT WAS LOST.
A Story of the Sierras.

BY BARTLEY CAMPBELL.

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CHAPTER XX—CONTINUED.

There was some sort of dreary consolation in the knowledge that she was so near him, even though he knew it not; and so she sat down in a deep doorway across the narrow street, and fixed her eyes steadily upon the gloomy-looking warehouse in which Ruben was confined.

Joe stood silently by her side, and for the next two hours there were but a half dozen words passed between them.

The air was cold, but they did not seem to mind it.

Slowly it began to break across the bay, and the stars began to pale, and a gray, uncertain light came into the street. And with it came fresh crowds of men, who gathered in front of the prison, and stared up at it. They had come to see the work of death, which was to begin with the new day. Presently a cheer went up, and when Joe asked what the yell meant he was informed that the Committee had arrived, and proceedings would commence almost immediately.

This information he conveyed to Pet, and she said, rising to her feet at once:

"Let us go in now; it's time."

They did go in. Up a flight of rickety stairs, at the head of which they found another guard, who examined their papers again, and, finding all right, told them to "steer straight ahead," and then along a dark passage-way, where they found another guard, who pushed open a door and discovered to them the prisoners.

Their coming attracted no attention. They were simply thought to be fresh victims, and everyone had enough to think of in himself.

Daylight had not penetrated into that wretched room. The lamp, with its yellow light, was the only illuminating power, and the oil in it was nearly exhausted.

Pet's eyes searched everywhere in vain for the one face she had come so far to see.

"I don't see him," she said to Joe. "Perhaps he isn't here."

"Yes, he's here. Call him."

She raised her voice, tremulous with pain, almost paralyzed with fear, and called his name.

At the sound of her voice, a man, who had been sitting on a low bench in the corner, started to his feet and came forward slowly.

"Who called me?" he demanded.

It was Ruben's voice; but the face was so changed, so hard and blank and white, that Pet did not recognize him until she glanced the second time into his melancholy eyes.

"O Ruben! Ruben! is it you?"

"Pet!"

A half-smothered wail from the girl, and then her soft arms were about his neck, and her head was lying upon his heart again.

"Why have you come here?" he asked. "I had given up the world, and now you come to bring me back to it again."

"I could not let you die in this way," she replied. "O Ruben, you don't know how I love——"

The secret was out at last. Her words thrilled him through and through. He held her tighter, closer to his heart. On the brink of the grave came this new revelation. In its bright radiance he saw earth had still some charms for even such as he.

"Is there no hope?" she asked. "Can there be nothing done?"

"I've put away all hope," he replied. "In three hours I will have gone beyond the reach of all earthly hope."

Joe had stood silently by up to this time. Now he came forward. Ruben grasped his hand.

"One thing can be done," he said, "if you will have the courage to do it."

"What?"

It was Pet spoke.

"That pass admitted two to enter here—a man and a woman; it will also permit two to depart."

"Yes! yes!"

"Let Ruben go, an' I'll stay here."

"No, no; they would not listen to such a proposition."

"But Ruben is young, an' amounts to somethin', while I—well—there's nothin' in this world worth my while to stay fur ——"

"No, Joe; you shall not sacrifice yourself for me. My only regret is that I did not kill George Silsby. I'm prepared to die, however, and——"

"Then it was George Silsby!" exclaimed Pet. "Why did you not tell them—the Committee—that? They are men with hearts in their breasts. They would not have condemned you."

"I had no desire to bring up my shame again, to have it upon every lip. I would sooner have it as it is," he hesitated. "When arrested, I courted death."

"But to-day you don't want to die."

"No; your coming has made me a coward."

A thought struck her. She would see the Committee. There was certainly plenty of mitigating circumstances now, and she could plead for his life with some hope of success.

Ruben had little faith. Perhaps she would not even be given an audience. But she would make the attempt. Across the room a sentinel stood, who had just taken his position.

"Where is the Committee-room?" she inquired excitedly.

"There to the right." She went to pass him. "Have you a pass?"

"Yes." She held it up, and, after glancing at it, he permitted her to leave the room.

She had scarcely done so when a couple of guards at the left called out the name of the first victim.

A dark, bearded man stepped forward. His time had come. He went off with the guards. A period of silence followed, then a heavy fall was heard, then a cheer from the mob in the street, and another soul had gone out to meet its Maker.

Again the guards returned. This time the yellow-haired boy was led forth. The cheer came fainter this time, but it came nevertheless.

At this time Joe made another appeal:

"It's your duty to live for Pet's sake. She loves you better than her own life, has always done so; and if you die now, and in this way, why, it will but wound her so and that will be murder."

"How do you know she loves me?"

"Why, I've seen it in her eyes an' in her face, an' she told me so onct."

"And why do you want to sacrifice yourself? I never did anything for you."

"No; but you see, I always was sort of foolish, an' I s'pose, still, it don't make any partic'lar difference now I——"

"You love her, Joe—you love her?"

"Yes, dearer than life, an' I want to prove it to her, an' this is the best chance I'll ever have."

"Joe, I will confess to you that I want to live now that I've found this dozen; but I would rather meet it a thousand times than let you perish. I am not a hero, Joe; but, thank God! I'm still a man."

At this point the guard reappeared.

"Ruben Craig!" he called.

The prisoner darted a glance at the door through which Pet had disappeared.

"It may both be happy yet," whispered Joe. "Let us go!"

His voice was full of entreaty. For a moment Ruben's heart failed him. Joe had caught his hand.

"Farewell, an' tell her how it was." He moved toward the door. In another moment he would be gone.

Ruben raised his voice.

"Stop!" he exclaimed. "I am Ruben Craig! I am the man you seek!"

Joe uttered a faint cry, and buried his face in his hands.

Ruben laid his hand gently upon his bowed head.

"Joe, God bless you! Good-bye!"

"Come!" The guard pointed to the open door.

"Ruben! Ruben!" rang through the room. All the prisoners started to their feet. It was Pet's voice. She came flying into the room.

"Stop! I have a pass!" she exclaimed.

Ruben caught her in his arms. Her head fell back. She had fainted. As she did so a white paper fluttered to the floor. Joe caught it up, and, kneeling at their feet, read it at a glance.

"Pardon!" he said, and he kissed the hem of her dress.

CHAPTER XXII.
BACK TO PIUTE.

They went back that night to Piute, all of them—Ruben and Pet and Joe. All silent as they were, sitting on the deck of the steamer, under the diamond light of the stars, but a very grateful set as well.

Pet sat close to Ruben, her hand in his, and on the other side of Ruben sat Joe. Whatever thoughts were in his mind, he gave them no speech; but perhaps he was thinking that, now that Ruben's wife had trampled off, and left no trace of her going, and now that Pet had saved his life, and shown him her love, her great love, which had stood the test of time, and tears and trouble, that there could come nothing between them further, and that no doubt their hearts would find each other out, and after the law had had its say in ridding Ruben of a worthless wife he would find a worthier one in Pet.

This was not a cheerful outlook for him; but it would bring happiness to one he loved better than himself, and in that it was, in some sense at least, a recompense.

Sandy cried for joy when Ruben came back, holding him out at arm's length, and gazing into his face.

"'Twas my prayers done it," he said. "I know it was. But O Rube, old boy, I'd hardly know ye. Yer face is so changed."

Pet did not see the change as some of them did. His eyes had not the old confident look, she had admired, and he was a trifle paler than when she had seen him in Piute before; but in all else he was the same brave, true Ruben she had loved so long.

He said he was going to settle down at home now; and so he did, going and coming from the little office he opened in Piute day after day with the air of a man who had taken up a new lease of life.

Almost every evening was spent in the little sitting-room or up in Joe's cabin. They were warmer friends than ever.

George Silsby had recovered and gone his way—and a hard way it was, taking him out to Australia, where he fell ill in the mines, and, being without money or friends, became an object of charity. His sin had found him out. But in all this time there came no news from Mabel.

The years rolled on—one year, two, three and Pet was twenty-one. But the years brought her new beauty, and Ruben was not slow to see this.

They were sitting alone one night, a snowy December night, and Ruben had been reading aloud an old Flemish tale of how, after many trials and wanderings, a young man had found his fate and his fortune at his own door.

Pet was sewing over at the table, and had been listening intently.

When he laid down the book she looked up.

"Go on, Ruben; it's very interesting."

"Not half as interesting as our own lives," he said musingly; "for have I not done the same thing, have I not gone out to find my fortune and my fate, and left a more precious legacy behind, even at my own door?"

There was a spell of silence fell upon them. Pet was trembling as with fear.

"Come over here, dear." He pointed to a stool at his feet. "I want to speak to you."

She obeyed, and he threw aside the sewing she brought with her, and caught her hands in his.

"Pet, I have been wandering, like another prodigal son, far from the fold. I have suffered, as you know, and now I want to come back, to enter into my inheritance. I want a home."

"This is your home," she replied in a very low voice.

"But I want a heart in my house, and what is your reply?"

"O Ruben, you know, you have known for a long time, that I——"

"Yes, I believe it; and I have long since discovered that you alone can make me happy. We have come up the hill together as boy and girl—let us go down on the other side, into the valley of death, as man and wife."

She raised her eyes to his face. They were flooded in tears. He would have drawn her to his heart, but she slipped out of his arms.

She was upon her feet, and he too had arisen.

"Pet, is it possible that, after all ——" he paused; "that after all ——"

"Love you, Ruben Craig," she interrupted—"love you with all my heart, with all my soul. Nay, more; I have never ceased to love you even when it was sinful to do so—when you were another's; but let us remember there is another, that her claim has not been canceled."

His voice grew strong with passion.

"She has sacrificed all claim. I want to forget that ever such a being lived. Out of the history of my life I mean to tear this page on which her name is written—that page that blushes with her shame."

"But she is still your wife. I could not be anything to you while she is that."

"She shall not be that to me any longer, not even in name. I will put the law between us; will that do?"

"No, Ruben, I could not while she lives; indeed, I couldn't."

"This is nonsense!"

"I know it is foolish, but before I can become your wife there must be a grave between you—her grave."

There came a tap to the door—a low, timid tap—and then the latch lifted, and out of the snow, out of the darkness, came a shrinking woman's figure.

It stopped upon the threshold. Pet picked up the lamp and advanced a few steps.

"Pray come in."

The woman stepped in, and closed the door behind her softly.

She was in rags, and her face was pinched and pointed with want, and her great blue eyes were sunken and encircled in dark rings.

Ruben was thinking of what Pet had said, and stood with his back to the stranger, looking into the fire.

"What do you want?" asked Pet, setting the lamp down upon the table again.

"I want nothing, only to die, only to be forgiven and die."

Ruben turned quickly, as if an adder had stung him, turned to behold in the now trembling wretch that could not meet his gaze—his wife—Mabel.

He clenched his fist and strode over to where she stood. His face was black with passion; there was not a vestage of pity there.

She did not look up. She only cowered lower, and said:

"Strike, Ruben, I deserve it, and I want to die here close to you, to you whom I've wronged so deeply."

"How dare you come here?" he managed to say. "Have you not done enough, that you should now drag the wreck of your infamy here and lay it at my door?"

"I couldn't die, Ruben, without seeing you again, to tell you that, although I am only a poor outcast, I always did, always will love you."

"You have told me, and now—go. Your presence is hateful; it makes a demon of me."

"O Ruben! don't say that. I have only a few days more of life. Let me pass them here, under your roof, and if you can't forgive me, don't, O Ruben! in memory of what we once was, don't curse me."

"If curses ——" He lifted up his hand to Heaven. "O, no, don't. Ruben, don't! my soul is heavy enough with sin; don't add to it!"

She had fallen upon her knees, and her two thin, white hands were raised in supplication. Pet was crying over at the window. He passed his hand over his eyes, and stood irresolute an instant. The injury this woman had done him flashed vividly before him.

Striding to the door, he flung it open. The snow fluttered down still, and the light from the lamp made a pathway of brilliancy on the stainless robe nature was so silently wrapping around the earth.

"Go!" he exclaimed. "Neither in my home nor in my heart is there any place for you."

A moan of keenest agony broke from Mabel's lips. The next moment Pet had wrapped one arm around her neck.

"Ruben Craig, remember we are all sinners; you must not do this!" she exclaimed.

Mabel clung to Pet's dress as a drowning man clings to the last plank.

"She shall not live here," he said; "I've said it."

"She won't live anywhere long; but be merciful; let her die here."

He dropped into a chair, and hid his face.

"Come!" whispered Pet, "let us go now."

She led Mabel away, up the short flight of stairs, and into her own room.

Ruben made no further opposition.

CHAPTER XXIII.
THE CURTAIN FALLS!

When the morning light slid down the mountain sides, and filtered through the muslin curtains, and the snow lay like heavy cushions upon the window-sills, Pet still sat at Mabel's bedside, and tried to comfort her.

It was no easy task. She felt her sin heavy upon her soul, and his—Ruben's—forgiveness was witheld from her.

"I have come so far for it; I could not die without it. Won't he never come up here at all; must I never see him again?"

"You shall see him again," replied Pet. "He will come up to-day, some time."

"And you—you will plead for me. You will pity and plead for me—with him—won't you?"

"Yes; I'll do my best."

Mabel reached down from beneath the bed-clothes, and, catching one of Pet's hands, raised it to her lips and said:

"You are an angel; you must stay with me to the last."

Ruben went to his office, and came back at noon, and departed again, and no mention of Mabel's request had yet been made. Once Pet had the subject on her lips, but there was such a look of pain in his face—the old pain, too, which he had only managed to clear away a little while before she came back—that she could not find it in her heart to utter a word.

But in the evening, when he sat down before the fire, and was silent, she went over to him and said:

"Ruben, you can do a great and generous act if you will. Let your resentment stop this side of the grave; be brave, and go to her; won't you?"

"Why do you wound me so?" he asked. "Have I not suffered enough? Do you want to drive me wild? That I have permitted her to stay here, that I did not, as heartlessly as she stabbed my honor, ought to be enough."

"Remember, Ruben, you're a Christian."

"I cannot think of that now. I can only remember that I'm a man."

"I cannot tell her that you will not come," she said after a pause; "it would kill her."

He made no answer for a moment, then he turned, almost fiercely, and said:

"The worm that is trampled under foot sometimes turns and stings, but you would have me more ignoble; you would have me play the part of the cur that licks the hand that smites it. Pet, I can never look upon that woman's face again as long as she lives—such as she is."

He took up his hat and peered out, and Pet sat down and cried—cried for the poor, miserable wight who awaited so anxiously for a voice that would never fall upon her ear; cried for Ruben—for the hardness that was in his heart—for the sorrow that was in his soul.

The dreay Winter days rolled, one by one, away, and Mabel had given up all hope of seeing Ruben, all hope of gaining his forgiveness.

She never spoke of him after Pet had told her that he would not come. She clung tightly to Pet's hand for a moment after, and the tears crept silently down her face.

And now it was Christmas-eve, the sweet holiday time, when all hearts are softened, and many are made glad, and Mabel knew she would not live to see it.

"Do you think we shall know each other in Heaven?" she asked Pet in a husky whisper.

"Yes; I think we shall."

"And do you think there is any hope for women—for women like me?"

"Yes; repentance is the key to Heaven—prayer and repentance."

"And I have repented. He knows who knows our hearts how I have repented, and He will let me in, too—in where Ruben ——"

She did not finish the sentence. Pet had slipped upon her knees, and was praying audibly, and Mabel's lips were moving too.

Presently she started up, and said with a flutter of joy in her voice:

"I have been forgiven—I hear music—it must be Heaven after all!"

"Ruben will come now," whispered Pet. "I will go for him."

"Tell him to kiss me when I'm dead."

Pet found Ruben in his old seat at the fire. He turned as she entered and looked into her face. He knew the end had come.

"Well?" he said.

"She is going now. Before you can reach her it will be all over."

He thought it was all over when he reached the bedside, and looked down into the upturned face. The eyes were closed, and the chin had dropped; but when he bent down over and kissed her white lips the color came back into the warm cheeks, and the eyes opened, and a smile rippled on her mouth.

"Ruben!"

It was his name, and from her lips, too; but it sounded like an echo from the other shore.

She had come back from the dim eternity to speak that one word—back from that distant land beyond the stars, to look upon his face again.

The tears came into his eyes.

"Tell her you forgive," whispered Pet.

"I forgive you," he said.

She must have heard him, for she smiled again, and then a presence which they could not see entered that little room and bore a ransomed sinner home.

The snow had melted from Mabel's grave, and the green grasses were springing there, and all the earth was thrilling with the new life that would soon burst forth in bud and blossom, when Ruben spoke to Pet of the subject which had long been uppermost in his mind.

She heard him through with a glad light in her eyes; and when he said:

"I have been wandering in the dark so long that the sunlight will be very precious when it comes—" she replied, looking up into his face: "Out of the shadows of the darkest night comes the light of the brightest day, and, though we have waited long, I cannot see the sunset from where I stand."

"Let us wait no longer, then," he said. "I want to feel that you are mine."

"It is too soon," she said; "let the roses fade I planted above her, and then ——"

It was so arranged, and when the bright leaves dropped upon the moist sod, with Sandy and Joe as the only witnesses, they were married.

Joe had foreseen this event for some time, and therefore met it with something like resignation. He attended to his homely duties, and tried to appear unconcerned for a few months after Pet's wedding, but he found he could not live that old desolate life any longer, and so he came to her and said:

"I can't stand it up there, it's so lonesome and empty; and if you wouldn't mind it, Pet, I'd like to come and live with you an' Ruben. Give me a corner at yer hearthstone, and let me, for the few years that are still remainin', bask in the sunshine of yer happiness."

He has a corner at their hearthstone, and a place in their hearts, too; and when he lies down to sleep forever, the hand of the only woman he ever loved will close his eyes—at least, he has her promise to do so, and it is not likely she will break her word.

THE END.

CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN:
THE VERSATILITIES OF A GREAT CAREER.

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Charlotte Sanders Cushman died in Boston, Mass., Feb. 18, 1876. Her posthumous biographies would fill volumes, but it is the aim of this article to touch upon facts that have not heretofore been grouped together.

The famous actress was a descendant of the Rev. Thomas Cushman and Mary Allerton. Mary Allerton was the last survivor of the pilgrims who came over here in the Mayflower, while her husband was the son of that Rev. Robert Cushman who not alone organized the memorable pilgrimage, but who also personally chartered the Mayflower and the Speedwell, which left Southampton, Eng., on Aug. 5, 1620. More immediately, Miss Charlotte Cushman was the descendant of the Rev. Thomas Smith, the first pastor of the first church in Portland, Me. His eldest daughter became the wife of Thomas Sanders of Gloucester, Mass., and Parson Smith's granddaughter Mary married Elkanah Cushman, the father of Charlotte, who was born in Richmond street, Boston, on July 23, 1811—and not in November of 1814, nor on July 23, 1816, both of which times have been oftener printed in connection with her age than the true date.

It was the bankruptcy of her father that led to the development of her musical abilities, and to her appearance on the stage, which she knew as a promising vocalist as early as 1828, but what might be termed her first public appearance was on March 25, 1830, at a social concert given at the hall No. 1 Franklin avenue, Boston, she being announced as "A Young Lady." In 1833, the famous English vocalists Mr. and Mrs. Wood, being in Boston, Charlotte Cushman was required to assist the lady as her initial step in public, by her the young vocalist was recommended to practice for the musical stage. On April 8, 1835, at the Tremont Theatre, Boston, she appeared as the Countess in "The Marriage of Figaro," being supported by Mrs. Maeder (Clara Fisher) as Susannah, to a $363.75 house. This was repeated on April 13 following, the Cherubino being Miss Charlotte Cushman, who was then regarded as a boy, who married a few years later, retired from the stage after a while, and died in Philadelphia on Aug. 8, 1854), who that night made her first appearance in Boston. For her benefit, at the Tremont, Charlotte Cushman had a $258 house.

As a vocalist, she now went to New Orleans. Her voice was unequal to the task of such a course of training to which it had been sought to subject it, and she was recommended to essay the dramatic stage, which she did successfully as Lady Macbeth. Her first appearance in this city was in that character, at the Bowery Theatre, Sept. 12, 1836; her first appearance as an actress in Boston was as Lady Macbeth, at the Tremont, Sept. 30, 1837, the Macduff being Thomas Barry, who preceded her to the tomb but a few days; her last appearance in this city was as Lady Macbeth, Nov. 7, 1874, at Booth's Theatre; and her last appearance of all was in the same role at the Globe Theatre, Boston, May 15, 1875.

It was during her engagement of 1837 at the Tremont that she first essayed those male characterizations of which she subsequently made a specialty, playing Henry in "Speed the Plough." It was during this engagement also that she probably appeared for the last time exclusively as a vocalist, singing "Hail Columbia" between pieces, for the benefit of James E. Murdoch. During this same year she first appeared as Romeo, at the South Pearl-street Theatre, Albany. The Albanians, by the way, had a tradition that she was playing at the Green-street Theatre, that city, as early as 1835, in "Norman Leslie;" and a bill of that alleged performance would certainly be a valuable contribution to the Varieties Department of THE CLIPPER. It was as Romeo, Miss Flynn being the Juliet, that on April 22, 1837, she began her career of management at the original National Theatre, corner Church and Leonard streets, this city, though she had first appeared there on Nov. 15, 1836, for the benefit of the late Thomas S. Hamblin, rendering in character the recently deceased Barry Cornwall's song of "The Sea." On May 15, 1837, at the National, she first played Meg Merrilies. Her first appearance in Paris was at the Salle Ventadour, Aug. 29, 1837, as Patrick in "The Poor Soldier," which she had previously played at the Bowery Theatre, on Sept. 17, 1836, for her first benefit in this city. On Dec. 30, 1837, at the Park, she who had made her dramatic debut as Lady Macbeth personated Aladdin in the spectacle of that name; while in three months before she had played the Prince in "Massanello," on March 15, 1838, she appeared as Emily Wardle in "Sam Weller, or the Pickwickians;" on May 14 she was the original New York representative of Widow Melnotte in "The Lady of Lyons," Edwin Forrest being the Claude (the original of this character in Boston was the still visible count Johannes), and on the 18th she was the Pauline; on the 28th she first played Lady Teazle; on June 26 she first essayed Claude Melnotte; on June 30, 1839, she was the Fanny Squeers when "Nicholas Nickleby" was first produced at the Park; and on Feb. 7, when "Oliver Twist" was brought out, she played Nancy Sykes.

The second New York theatre at which she appeared was the old Franklin, in Chatham square, on Oct. 7, 1836; her first appearance at Niblo's Garden seems to have been on July 6, 1840, when she and her sister Susan acted for the benefit of the late William E. Burton; and her first appearance at the Chatham Theatre was on July 28, 1840, for the benefit of Charles Parsloe, who already regreta his responsibility Williams, when she played Kate Morton in "My Sister Kate" and Patrick in "The Poor Soldier," Susan enacting Norah. On April 23, 1841, Burton opened the National Theatre, New York, and Charlotte Cushman played the Naiad Queen. This date and this spectacle mark the first appearance in New York of Miss Josephine Clifton, who subsequently, on May 28, 1841, Miss Cushman, as Semiramis, played for the last time in that house, which in a few hours was a mass of charred ruins. It had been burned once before, on Sept. 23, 1839, and it was not again rebuilt. It was now proposed, by a number of leading citizens, to build a theatre for Miss Cushman; but the conclusion was reached that New York was already overburthened with theatres, and the project was abandoned. She returned to the Park, and on Aug. 30, 1841, personated Oberon in "A Midsummer-night's Dream," and on Oct. 11 was the original Lady Gay Spanker in America. This part, it may be mentioned, she also personated at the Broadway Theatre on May 20, 1851, for the benefit of C. W. Couldock (whom she had introduced to the American public on Oct. 8, 1849, as the Stranger, at the Broadway Theatre, N. Y.), a feature of this presentation of "London Assurance" being that John Brougham, one of the reputed authors of the play, volunteered as Dazzle. On April 12, 1842, when Bouciault's "Last Days of Irish Heiress," was first placed on an American stage, at the Park, she was the Lady Daventry, a part her sister Susan subsequently made prominent in Philadelphia. On Aug. 27, 1842, for one night, Charlotte appeared again at Niblo's Garden, playing Mrs. Bromley in "Simpson & Co." On the following Sept. 19 she made her first appearance at the American Theatre (Walnut-street), Philadelphia, playing Widow Backett in "The Belle's Stratagem" to the Doricourt of William Wheatley; and there, on the succeeding Oct. 3, this tragic actress was to be found in "Sixteen-string Jack!"—Wheatley being the Jack Rann, and she the Mary Ferris. Paul Tug in "The Waterman," in which Susan had performed at the Park Theatre in 1837, was thus more than matched, and "Sixteen-string Jack" ran for a week. The season was not successful under her management, and on Dec. 20, 1842, we find her at the Tremont, Boston, playing Lady Gay Spanker for the first time in that city, the Dazzle being the late J. M. Field, while the Sir Harcourt Courtley was John Gilbert, who is playing it in this city as these lines are being written. But probably the greatest cast of this piece was on June 28, 1858, at Niblo's Garden, when John Gilbert was Max Harkaway, the late Henry Placide being the Sir Harcourt Courtley, the late J. M. Dawson the Dolly Spanker, E. L. Davenport the Charles Courtley, John Brougham the Dazzle, Miss C. Cushman the Lady Gay, the late Miss Mary Devlin (Mrs. Edwin Booth) the Grace Harkaway, and Miss Ida Vernon the Pert. Brougham had played Dazzle to Miss Cushman's Lady Gay so early as October or November of 1842, at the American Theatre, Philadelphia.

In 1843-4, she was supporting Macready in a range of characters extending from Angiolina in "Marino Faliero" to Cordelia in "King Lear." In the latter year she went to England, making her initial bow at the Princess' Theatre, London, as Bianca in "Fazio." The noteworthiest incidents of her several sojourns in that country are that she performed Romeo for thirty-six consecutive nights at the Haymarket; that at that house, on May 4, 1855, she first brought out "The Actress of Padua" in England, closing that engagement May 26 in Rome, Italy, by her the young vocalist was recommended to practice for the musical stage. On April 8, 1835, at the Tremont Theatre, Boston, she appeared as the Countess in "The Marriage of Figaro," being supported by Mrs. Maeder (Clara Fisher) as Susannah, to a $363.75 house. This was repeated on April 13 following, the Cherubino being Miss Charlotte Cushman, who was then regarded as a boy, who married a few years later, retired from the stage after a while, and died in Philadelphia on Aug. 8, 1854), who that night made her first appearance in Boston. For her benefit, at the Tremont, Charlotte Cushman had a $258 house.

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CUPID'S FOIBLES, FOLLIES AND FANCIES.

THE LITTLE GIRL I LOVE.

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From off the sunny mountain-top
I look with ardent eyes
To one romantic little spot
That holds the all I prize;
'Tis yon old mansion, down the dell,
Half hid behind the grove,
Where, calm and innocent, doth dwell
The little girl I love.

Oh! could I muse forever here,
Unwearied of the scene,
Content to see my love appear
On balcony or green,
A happy, solitary night
I would not seek to rove,
But feast my eyes from morn till night
With visions of my love.

The sky above, the earth below,
Are studded each with flowers.
No matter where our footsteps go,
We see them at all hours;
For night, that shades the flowers below,
Opes them that shine above,
As sleep a world of bliss doth show
In dreams of her I love.

A SOCIAL SCANDAL IN CINCINNATI.

Fashionable society in the Queen City was last week shocked by the culmination of a high-life scandal, which was first brought to public notice by the institution, some time ago, by Mrs. Julia Wood Harbeson, of a suit for divorce from her husband, Matthew L. Harbeson, the petition charging him with extreme cruelty, gross neglect of duty, and adultery. The Harbesons are widely known and well connected, and live in excellent style on Seventh street. The marriage of Mat. Harbeson to the beautiful Julia Wood, the wealthy granddaughter and heiress of the late John Bates of National Theatre notoriety, was a social event. The heroine of the ugly story is a blonde of medium height and aristocratic carriage, and is a magnificent dresser. It seems that Mr. Harbeson, who was absent at the time of his wife's application for divorce, attributed his troubles to his interference between his wife and an intimate friend of hers, a Mrs. W., the wife of quite a prominent baseball professional. Mat. conceived, or thought he knew, that this Mrs. W. was not an improving associate for his wife, and, finding that Mrs. H. persisted in encouraging the intimacy, on one occasion peremptorily ordered Mrs. W. from his house. His wife interfering, he *pushed* her from him, and on this, he believes, are founded her allegations as to personal abuse. But, be the preliminaries what they may, it was only on yesterday morning that the denouement came. Mr. Harbeson had, it seems, after the filing of the petition against him, removed his residence to Chicago, and there ruminated on the situation. The more he ruminated the more he became convinced that there must be "a lover" at the bottom of the difference between himself and his lovely and, he says, beloved wife.

At about half-past 7 o'clock yesterday morning Harbeson demanded admission to his late home, and, upon being admitted by the servants, rushed without ceremony to his wife's bedroom. He was accompanied by Constable Doyle of Squire Anthony's office, whom he took along as a witness, which proves that he had calmly laid his plans, or "set up the job," as the usual phrase has it, in advance. His demand for admittance to his wife's chamber being met with only a muffled reply a door-panel or two were broken down, and John H. Steiner and Mrs. Harbeson were found in bed together, awaiting breakfast to be served in their room, on the order of the mistress of the household, as subsequent investigations by the husband developed. Mr. Harbeson had a revolver in his hand, but he did not use it. He told the trembling and guilty couple that he would take no blood. He had pondered over the whole matter, he said, and had determined upon his course. He ordered Steiner to get up and put on his clothes and come with him. The gay Lothario did so, and here ends the first chapter of a *scandal*, such as the gossips of Cincinnati have not reveled in before for many a day. It is a painful affair in all its aspects, for the "lady in the case" has been widely admired for her loveliness and social graces, and young Harbeson also has hosts of sympathizing friends. Steiner, the seducer, is a handsome man—a "masher," as the slang term has it. He dresses in extremely good taste—richly, but not gaudily. He is now agent of the White Sewing Machine at Indianapolis, Ind., where whisper has it he has been overattentive to a certain prominent married woman. It is further alleged that he is betrothed to a Miss H., well known in Grand Hotel circles, to whom he has issued honorable addresses. Take it all in all, it is a distressing story, whose worse points, we hope may be dulled in the course of the full investigation by the courts, which now seems inevitable.—*Cincinnati (O.) Enquirer*, May 2.

LOVE IN BOND.

Clarence E. Smith, a young man of rather prepossessing appearance, called on Colonel Johnson, superintendent of police, yesterday afternoon, with a "peck of trouble" on his mind. He had loved not wisely, it seems, but entirely too well, from a financial standpoint. Recently he fell heir to a small fortune, about $15,000, by the death of a relative, and with his treasure purchased $13,000 in United States bonds as an investment, simply because he had no immediate use for them. With such bonds in his possession, it seems, they became a source of some trouble and anxiety in the matter of safe keeping.

Then, to make matters still worse, he was deeply in love—in fact, as he alleges, he was engaged to be married to a daughter of Mrs. Mary A. Kenning, residing at 63 Laurel street. With the bonds in his possession and an engagement to marry on his hands, it seems, was a little more business than he cared to manage without some assistance. He felt sure he could manage his wife when he got her, and he made up his mind in advance to let her take care of the bonds. He accordingly made her his banker, and turned over his wealth. A few days ago he mentioned the subject of marriage to the fair one, and was astonished to find her as cold as an iceberg. She had made up her mind not to marry at present. To all his entreaties she turned a deaf ear—her mind could not be changed. He then demanded a return of his bonds, with no better success, and then resolved to go to law with his troubles. The foregoing is the substance of Mr. Smith's statements to Col. Johnson, who was powerless to render any assistance in the unhappy man. He advised Mr. Smith, however, to go to some magistrate and commence a civil suit for the recovery of his shekels. Mr. Smith next made his appearance before Squire Anthony, and swore out a search-warrant for Mrs. Kenning's residence, and a search warrants for the arrest of Mrs. Mary A. Kenning, George Kenning, her son, and Cora and Lucy Kenning, her daughters. When our reporter left the 'Squire's office, last evening, the constable had not made his return with property or prisoners. * * * The case was thus afterwards compromised.—*Cincinnati Commercial.*

A LADY CRUELLY PERSECUTED.

Anthony Comstock, special agent of the Post-office Department, and also of the Society for the Suppression of Obscene Literature, arrived yesterday from Catskill, N. Y., where he made an arrest which caused no little stir in the town. For upwards of ten years past Mrs. Mary T. Wetmore of Catskill has been constantly receiving letters of a most infamous character, without the authority of her name being held in, which was comparatively well known. It was long the town talk that her husband, who bore a good reputation as a physician, but an unenviable one in other regards, had during this time been upon intimate terms with one Alonzo Hall, a neighbor, and that it was the open boast of the latter that she would drive Mrs. Wetmore from the place through her letters. And this she nearly succeeded in doing; for, by coupling her name with that of prominent persons in the town, she became almost isolated in the community, because none dared speak to her on account of the remarks that always followed through the efforts of the woman Halenbeck. The husband aided his paramour, it is alleged, but Mrs. Wetmore refrained from making any complaint. Her life was once threatened by the woman Halenbeck, and the latter was arrested, but the case was never prosecuted. Unable to bear the persecution longer, Mrs. Wetmore last week reported the case to the Post-office Department, and Special-agent Comstock was detailed to work the matter up. He found the woman Halenbeck at Lime street, about eight miles from Catskill, and arrested her on Wednesday on charges of sending obscene letters, and she was committed by Judge Russell of Catskill upon two charges, with bail fixed at $1,000 upon each. Although search was made for Wetmore, he could not be found. He will probably be proceeded against, should he be found. The evidence against the woman is very strong, as she freely admitted the authorship of the letters before her arrest. An examination will be held next Wednesday.—*N. Y. Times*, April 28.

A TEXAS HEROINE.—There was a batch of convicts from some interior county seat awaiting the departure of the Great Northern cars to convey them on their melancholy journey to the prison-walls of the Penitentiary at Huntsville. Among the rough, unshaven and crime-steeped physiognomies that scowled from beneath gaunt and tattered slouched hats, amid the clacking of their fetters and chains, was the rather handsome face of a young man whose open features betokened no traces of the branded felon. Near him stood—a strange companion for such a crowd—a fair young girl, scarcely past her fourteenth year, whose long hair flowed down over her shoulders, that had not yet felt the weight of time, and whose countenance was a living photograph of innocence and girlish beauty. Upon inquiry it was ascertained that the young man had received a two years' sentence for marrying a girl under the age prescribed by law, after swearing that she was of legal age, and that with the lofty and sacred devotion of a true Lucretian youthful bride, despite the entreaties of friends, was following him to his ignominious prison, to share his captivity and lighten his punishment, provided the officers of the Penitentiary could be prevailed on to permit her entrance.—*Houston Age.*

BOUND TO BE BAD.—An old German woman arrived from Sacramento yesterday in search of her wayward daughter, and applied to the police for aid, which was promptly and successfully given. The young woman had abandoned her home to lead a fallen life, and it was her mother's desire she should return and be forgiven. An officer, armed with a descriptive list in the shape of a photograph, soon found the original in a house of evil fame on Sacramento street, and took her to the police-office, where the old lady was waiting. The grief of the latter was something pitiful, and her pleading affected every person but the object of it. The girl was extremely brazen. She utterly refused to return, and was so entirely unmoved by the spectacle of her old mother that she lost the sympathy of the spectators. After listening to the parties for a while, the captain on duty, having ascertained that the girl was under eighteen, turned the tables on her completely by ordering her to be taken to the County Jail for examination before the Police Judge for commitment to the Magdalen Asylum. The alacrity with which she then expressed a desire to be sent home was something amusing, but the captain was firm, and to custody she was sent.—*San Francisco* (Cal.) *Alta*, April 25.

A SEDUCER'S SUICIDE.—Coroner Hervey of Rossville held an inquest Sunday upon the body of George Sleight of Tottenville, who was found drowned in the Staten Island Sound, opposite that place. Verdict of the jury, death from drowning. It appears that Sleight got into trouble with a young woman of Tottenville named Carrie Ryder, whose friends met in a neighbor's house about two months ago. Sleight being present, and advised him to marry the girl, which he agreed to do. He left the conference ostensibly for the purpose of engaging a clergyman to perform the ceremony, and had never been seen or heard from afterwards, until his dead body was found. Sleight was about twenty-two years old, and professed to have been converted at a revival then in progress in the Methodist Church, at Tottenville. He had been taken into the church on probation. When found, the body was in full dress, with watch and chain and $22 in the pockets. It is reported that Sleight was also likely to get into fur ther trouble through his attentions to other young women besides Miss Ryder, and it is supposed that these complications drove him to commit suicide.—*N. Y. World*, April 25.

BASEBALL.

MUTUAL vs. ATHLETIC.
An Exciting Contest in Brooklyn.
Twelve Innings—Score, 3 to 2!

There is a decided change of base in the condition of things on the Union Ball Grounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., this season, and with it has come a marked reformation in the play of the Mutual nine. Up to 1875 there existed on these grounds a betting exchange. This has been done away with, and a rule established and duly enforced prohibiting all open betting on the grounds, under penalty of immediate ejection from the inclosure. Then, too, the change in the play of the Mutual nine is marked, the new team having settled down to the determination of doing their best to win all the time, and to strive to play their games under the playing-for-the-side system. Already the baseball public are beginning to recognize these important changes, and to notice their effects, and this indicates that it will not be long before the Mutuals will have, under this new era of things, their old-time gatherings of interested spectators. In 1875 several phenomenal games were played on the Union grounds, in which the winning scores did not exceed three runs, and some were marked by an excess of innings, as the record below shows:

May 31, Hartford v. Mutual, at Brooklyn..... 1 to 0
Aug. 3, Mutual vs. Chicago, at Brooklyn..... 1
Aug. 5, Hartford vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn (10 innings) 1
Aug. 20, Mutual vs. Atlantic, at Brooklyn..... 2
May 14, Mutual vs. Philadelphia, at Brooklyn..... 2
July 14, St Louis vs. Atlantic, at Brooklyn..... 2
July 31, Hartford vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn..... 2
Aug. 7, Hartford vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn (11 innings) 3
Aug. 24, Hartford vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn..... 3
July 13, St. Louis vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn (13 innings) 9 7

None of the above approached the contest of May 2, 1876, in the degree of skill exhibited, the excitement created, or in the order and deportment of the contesting nines, the game in question being probably the finest ever witnessed on the Union Ball Grounds. Without further preface, however, we proceed to give the details of this model contest between the Athletics and Mutuals, which took place on Tuesday last before the largest assemblage of spectators yet seen on the field this season.

THE GAME.

"Play" was called at 3:40 P. M. by Mr. Blodget of the Arlingtons, one of our best amateur umpires. The Mutuals were sent to the bat, and were easily retired in the order in which they took their positions. It was a little strange to see the Athletics in the field without the veteran Dick McBride in his old place; but on this occasion they had a fine young player in his stead, who acquitted himself with great credit throughout the game, not only in the pitcher's position, but in batting and fielding. On the other side, in batting, the Athletics were treated to a blank score, though Egglar made a base-hit. In the second inning Fisler let Hallinan's grounder go right through his legs, but the life given did not yield anything, as the next fly-ball from Hicks' bat was beautifully held by Fowser at right short, a double-play being the result, Booth afterwards giving Knight a chance to throw him out. On the Athletic side, it was one-two-three, side out; the Blues finding it almost impossible to hit Mathews' delivery with any effect, "Bobby" pitching in his very best manner in this match. The third inning was another blank for the Mutuals, though Nichols scored a base-hit. The Athletics were similarly treated, minus the base-hit, and the spectators now began to settle themselves to see a close contest, as it was already evident that both nines meant business, both being very anxious to win, especially the Athletics, because the Mutuals had whipped the Hartfords. In the fourth inning the Mutuals were again treated to a cipher, a neat catch by Egglar, and a pretty piece of fielding by Fowser—evidently a promising young player—being noteworthy. On the other side, after Egglar and Fisler had been retired, the latter on a pretty pick-up by Nichols, Meyerle scored a base-hit and Sutton hit safely to right field, a passed ball placing them on second and third bases, with a run looking probable; but Coons hit to Start, and the anticipated run was prevented. In the fifth inning five of the Mutual nine went to the bat. Hicks opened with a long ball to left centre, which Egglar dropped. Then Booth hit a safe grounder, but by Holdsworth's hit to Fowser Booth was forced off. On a passed ball Holdsworth reached his second, but before he could get farther the next two strikers were easily retired. On the Athletic side, after Hall and Fowser had tipped out, Knight hit a beauty out of short-stop's reach, but Force's high ball to Holdsworth was well held, and another blank was drawn. Things now began to get decidedly interesting. Half the regular game was over, and not only had no run been scored, but only six single base-hits had been scored—four by the Athletics and two by the Mutuals—the pitching being first-class on both sides, and the fielding support excellent. Craver opened the sixth inning for the Mutuals with a safe hit to right field, and, stealing to second on the sliding-scale principle, he reached his third on Start's long high ball to Meyerle, Treacy having previously been caught by Fowser. With Hallinan at the bat and Craver on third, a run in seemed very likely; but Hallinan was splendidly caught on a sharp fly tip-by Coons, and the chance for a run was lost. Hallinan's stay at the bat was for a short time quite an exciting incident, and it showed up one of the prettiest positions of a close contest in its most attractive form. Eggler of the Athletics opened with a safe hit, and by a bad throw of Hicks' he reached his second; but fine catches by Treacy and Booth ended the inning for a blank, and for the seventh time the Mutuals went in to try to score a run. Hicks led off with a fine ball to Force, and retired; then Booth hit safely to left field, and Holdsworth followed with a low grounder to the same place, two men being on earned bases, when Mathews hit to Egglar, who was finely fielded to Sutton, and Booth had to retire, and, as Nichols hit high to Meyerle, another chance to score was lost. On the Athletic side, after Coons had hit, Holdsworth was thrown out, Hall, an finely caught by Hicks on a sharp tip-bound, and Fowser gave him a chance for a foul fly, which he dropped, and he fell with the ball, thereby spraining his lame knee, and disabling himself for effective service behind the bat for the remainder of the game. After some five minutes' delay Hicks resumed his position, and deftly afterwards caught Fowser out on a tip-bound. This closed the seventh inning of the game, and thus far not a run had been scored, each side having scored five safe-base hits. Not a first base had been reached by an error on the Athletic side, and but two on the Mutual, the pitching and fielding being up to the highest mark on both sides. It now looked as if nine innings might be played without a run, but in the eighth inning the promise of this result was nipped in the bud. Craver opened play in the eighth tuning, and, not getting a ball to suit him, went to first on three called balls. Again did he steal to second successfully by sliding in under Start, who held a well-thrown ball from Coons. He also secured third base by a successful steal, and, after Hall had caught Treacy out, Craver ran in on Start's hit to Force, the latter finding it impossible to throw home in time, he throwing out Start. 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Bailey, Ella
Crisp, Minnie E. (2)
Crabtree. "Lotta"
Corelli, Bianche
Clarke, Nellie
Casselli, Mrs. Fannie
Celeste, Belle
Daly, Mrs. W. J.
Dargon, Augusta L.
Darrenport, Minnie
Dark, Lizzie
Dare, Leona
Delmay, Lu-lu
De Rent, Amy
De Mara, Ville. (contortionist)
Ellis, Maude (3)
Ewing, Lizzie E.
Fisk's Comic Bus Manag. May
Forrest, Lillian (vocalist)
Foy Sisters
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Gardner, "Cherry"
Granger, Maude
Gourney, Mad. Adelia
Gregory, Mary A.
Hunter, Maggie
Hedges, Mrs. Thos.
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Howard, Ada M.
Herrmann, Addie (2)
Hindle, Annie
Hardy, Madeline
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Jackson, Minnie
Joe, Mrs. Harry
Kaizmann, Pauline
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Leslie, Miranie
Lee, Rosa
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Morris, Clara
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Mack, Mrs. J. W.
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Watson, Mrs. Louisa
Weber, Effie
Watson, Rose (3)
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Winnett, Lottie
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Wallace, Della
Zoerner, Anna (2)
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Vernos, Mattie
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Archer, Charles (pianist)
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Ashton, Saml. G.
Blackford, Jas.
Burton, Harry M.
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Benedict, "Lew"
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Cook, Woods
Clark, Frank (banjoist)
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Denier, Tony
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Dane, Chas. E.
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Barr, Geo. (musician)
Bergen, E. S.
Bloodgett, Wash.
Baker, B. (agent for "Imogene")
Bowers, Chas. F. 6c.
Baker, Chas. W.
Baker & Doyle
Cooper, (of Cooper's Cir.)
Bernabo, Adolfo S. 5c.
Christol, Andre
Callender's Georgia Minst., Manag of
Cooke, Louis E.
Collins, Jas. F.
Charval, Frank
Catlett, L. (singing and dance)
Campbell, J. K.
Cassim, Mr. (of Coop. & Bail's Cir.)
Cook, Woods
Clark, Frank (banjoist)
Cody, W. F.
Cardwell, L. D. (2)
Chafle, Geo. W.
Castle, F. (with Sells Bros.)
Coleman, C. H. (musician) 3c.
Carroll, John W. (magician)
Coulson, Frank
Carroll, Alf. (musician)
Davies, H. L. (of Wildman's Co.)
Dixon, H. (of Kellogg Op. Co.) (2)
Duzre, Wm.
Denier, Tony
Drevan, Lillon
Dane, Chas. E.
Daly, H. F.
Dobson, Frank B. (2)
Doty, Arthur
Dillon, Geo. W.
Dade, Chas.
Dumont, Frank (2)
Dickson, Mr.
Dunbar, Wm. H.
Daley, Jas. (of Mahinley & Co.'s Cir.)
Donavin, Wood
Dowlinger, Chr.
Davis, Carlos
Day, Frank
Dorward, E. A.
Dunkin, J.
Dunbar, Wm. S.
Dunbar, Geo. 5c.
Dunbar, E. C.
Davis, L. (of Chace & Davis)
Ellis, H. W. (late of Baltimore)
Edman, A. (with Kelly and Leon)
Emidy, Jas.
Edwards, G. H. (with Dup. & Ben.)
Emerson, Jas. (Irish comed.)
Emery, D. B.
Frake, W. H. (2) 2c.
Fulton, Jno. (circus "bar")
Frawles, Harrison
Forrester, N. C.
Forepaugh, Wm. R.
France, Sid.
Foster, Hernandez
Fish, Fred. (of Denman Thomp.)
Fostelle, Chas.
Foote, Jr., Wm.
Farran, Geo.
Forepaugh, J. (of Forepaugh's Cir.)
Freeth, J. W.
Freeman, J. M. (pantomimist)
Forbes, Chas. (manager)
Farquar, Wm. V.
Furbish, Chas.
Glenn, S. W.
Giammona, Antonino
Grinnell, Geo.
Gosche, Jacob (2)
Gibbons, Frank A.
George, Benj. (of Gallagher, Flynn & Co.)
Graham, Thos. (of "Buffalo Bill" Co.)
Girard, E. (of Girard Bros.)
Gunnison, E. Norman
Gilman, Chas.
La Rue's Show
Gilmore, Jno. G.
Gilham's Circus, D. B.
Gorman, Richard
Guy, Sen., Geo.
Gerry, D. S.
Gethane, Jno. G.
Gerry, Harry
Hughes, Patrick
Hart, Paul
Heindl, Alex.
Homen & Holly
Hewett, Frank
Howe, "Den"
Harrison's Orphans' Co.
Harkins, W. S.
Hayes, P. (of Cole's Lent's Cir.)
Hughes, "Andy" & Annie
Harris & Carroll
Healy, Dr. John
Hartz, Prof. Gustave
Hogan, S. S.
Harcourt, E. Bees
Harrison, K. (musician)
Huggins, Col. A. Z.
Haslam, "Tony"
Hodges, D. B.
Howard, Bronson
Hart, Thos.
Hamilton's Dram. Co.
Hart's Colored Minst., H.
Hamilton, Saml.
Hanlp & Barr.
Hernandez, Arthur
Howard, Chas. (minst. "biz")
Hicks, Chas. (of Georgia Minst.)
Irwin, Selden
Ingham, C.
Jerome & Cameron
James, Harry (cornetist)
Jones, J. H.
Jones, Arnold
Kerr, Henry E.
Kirby, Wm.
Kelley, Arthur C.
Keller, F. L.
Keane, Jos. H.
Kelly & Leon's Minst.) (4)
Kelly, J. A. (of Connors & Kelly)
King, Wm. (late of St. Louis, Mo.)
Kendall, Archie
Kanfield, Clarence
Kine Bros.
Keen, Jule
Kneff, M. B.
Little, Chas.
Lay, Hiram
Leopold, George (gymnast)
Leymon, Chas.
Lawrence, Ed.
Lent, Harry (2)
Little, R. G.
Lenton, F. (of Lenton Bros.)
Lavalle, J. M.
Laine, J. H. (with Dup. & Bened.)
Le Vere, Evarard
Lee, Jno. (with Bryant's Minst.)
Langley, E. D. (concert "biz")
Laurent, H.
Lennox, Geo. H.
Lum, Frank
Morse, Julius T.
Morton, E. B.
McAndrews, J. W.
McCue, H. L.
M. V. A.
Matthews, C. C.
McGladdery, Owen
Martin, Saml. (song-and-dancer)
Miner, H. E. (of Thomas' Orch.)
Mason, "Ned"
Morgan, W. (burlesque rider)
Martens, F.
Musicus, Dr.
Meacham, Col. A. B.
McFadden, James (vocalist)
Murphy & Mack
Morse, W. F. 6c.
Maschl, Stephen
Maguire, Thos.
(minst. "biz")
Melville, Jas.
McCann, J. F. (musician)
Mills, E. A. or C. A.
MacEvoy, Chas.
MacEvoy, Frank (2)
Mulford, Prof. (of Cole's Cir.)
Murphy, J. C. ("bones")
Mayo, Frank
Mortimer, G. A.
Maas, Jas.
Marpon, Theophilus
Martinnetti, Paul
Murphy, J. E. (of Murphy & Mack)
Murray, G. W. (actor)
Mineo Bros.
Mackey, David
Norton, Nich.
Norton, Jos. (juggler)
Nash, John Jolly
Nash, Danl. (special artist) (2)
Nash, E. L.
Norman, H. B.
Natalie, Mons.
Neitz, John
Nutt, Commod.
Omuit, Jas.
Oliver, Saml. (of London, Eng.)
Osborne, Alfred
Parker, Jos. H.
Perkins, W. S.
Powers, Law.
Peck, Sherman G.
Pyke, Geo. L.
Peck, A. D.
Porter, W. W.
Pettit & White
Potter, Benj. (circus "biz")
Peak, Ed. S.
Pryor, E. J.
Pastor, "Tony"
Pullman, D. (of Lent's Cir.)
Patten, G.
Poole Bros.
Page, H. S. (cornetist)
Pholte, Jos.
Quigley, J. F.
Quinn, Eddie
Quinn, "Barney"
Ribler, J. A.
Richardson, C. N.
Richings' B. Op. Co., Manag.
Rogers, Loraine
Richards, Geo. (cannon-ball "biz")
Roberson, Jas. (late of Bertie's Co.)
Reed, Saml. R. (2)
Rowe, Fawcett
Robbins, Barr.
Rivers, H. W.
Ross, Willis (2)
Richards, O. E.
Riddle, John
Reed, S. D.
Sandars & Lessingham
Slouthren, Mr.
Shirley, Harry
Saunders, Saml. E.
Scott, Walter or R. C.
Smith, Geo. W.
Sexton, M. C. (2)
Swan, Willis (late of Syracuse, N.Y.)
Sage, Geo. A.
Shuser, Jno.
Strong, D. A.
Sadler, W. H.
Sears, Jno. A. B.
Seeley, Frank
Selby & Prime
Sullivan, Dell.
Saurel, L.
Straxosch, Max.
Scott, Jr., Chas. H.
Stowe, W. H. (of Cooke & Cir.)
Skiff & Gaylord's Minst.
Searle, Cyril 5c.
Stout-Siddons, —
Sells Bros.
Schofield, F. S.
Sidger, C. H.
Searles, Thos. J.
Simpson, Chas. (candy "biz")
Sandford, S.
Shay, Chas.
Sheldon, A. H.
Smith & Nelson
Swift's Continental Co.
"Snake-arm Mac"
Stone, Harry (of J. A. Stevens' Co.)
Sweetzner, Ed.
Salsbury, Nathan
Schneider, Chas. L.
Smith, D. H. (with Dup. & Bened.)
St. Ormand, Harry L. (2)
Sutherland, W. R.
Swonsbourne, Mr. (of Canada)
Sherman, W. H. (adv. agent)
Stevens, Jno. G.
Shields, E. A. 5c.
Stetson, E. T.
Tayleure, C. W.
Tice, H.
Thorne, Chas. (properties)
Vidorelli, H. (2)
Victorelli, W.
Worden, Robt.
Ward, W. H.
White, J. (late of Comiq., Cleveland
Wilson, G. E. (manager)
Wagner, Thos. (of "Un. Tom Cab." Co.)
Wayne & Lovely
Wildman, F. J. (3)
Wallace, Wm. E.
Wilkinson, W. H.
Whitfield, J.
Wasburn, E. S. (2)
Wood, Geo. H.
Wilson, Mr. (of N. Y. & South. Cir.)
Walters, Claude
Wilson, F. B.
Walton, Thos.
Walters & Morton
Williams, J. "Lancashire Lad" (2)
Whitney, Frank (ventriloquist) (2)
Weiss, Otto
Wright, A.
Wayne, Burt
Watson, Wm. (of Nottingham, Eng.)
Walsh & Lizzie Sherman, Harry
Wynne, Thos.
Wells, Geo.
Waide & De Vere
Wight, Ed. (manager)

LETTERS IN THE WINCHESTER (KY.) POST-OFFICE on May 4 for W. J. Single, Chas. L. Hurkille, and C. E. Hill, all of Mary Breyer's Comedy Co.

INTRODUCTORY OVERTURE.

MONDAY, May 8, '76.

We are jotting down these interesting remarks within ninety miles of the Centennial buildings, and but two days before the time fixed upon for the opening of our gigantic, mammoth combination of aggregated curiosities and universal exposition of cosmopolitan animalculæ and stupendous illustrated exhibition of terrestrial and aquatic carnivalistic developments. Wonderful as it may seem, we are but three hours distant from the greatest fifty-cent show the amazed world ever gazed upon; and, surprisingly strange as it may appear to many of our readers, ere this sheet is spread before the eyes of our friends who exist in other latitudes the entire menagerie and trales-union will be the observed of all observers; yea, the cynosure of every eye. And here we are honest enough to admit that, as New Yorkers, we have not taken the same interest in the Centennial that we should have done had the Declaration of Independence been signed in the metropolis, and the Centennial, as a consequence, have reared its mighty works within the legal bounds of this glorious city. It was an unfortunate thing for mankind that such a lifelong mistake in signing our Declaration in Philadelphia should have been made; for we have been assured by a gigantic mind, fresh from the slopes and slopes of Cheltenham, that Penn's first log cabin village on the muddy banks of the tame and insipid Delaware (vide recent Congressional debates). Our money would have been poured out with a more lavish hand had T. Jefferson, Esq., and his coadjutors sold the declaration privileges to this beautiful expanse of land and water. It is fitting, at this auspicious time, when the Centennial is in full swing rolled, and the handiwork of one hundred years exposed to view, that something of a complimentary character should be said in reference to the American eagle, that noble bird of freedom whose pinions spread from the callous and rock-bound plateau of the Atlantic's raging billows to the swift and undulating rivulets that meander along the western shores of this continent, and become lost in that ever-surging world of waters, the peaceful Pacific. Great Britain has her lion and her unicorn a-fighting for the crown; France has her broad-faced turkey as an emblem of her power and greatness; while Russia glories in her double-headed chicken! But what are these to the American eagle? What are they? we repeat. *Abas le* turkey! *le* chicken, and *le* unicorn; *vive!* long *vive le* outstretched bird of liberty! To be sure, our bird is not a household pet; neither is it so much in favor as the kiyoudie poodle with the elite of society and our high-toned aristocracy. Nevertheless, it is a bird who carries weight wherever it goes, and whose talons are felt in every land, in every sphere. Stuffed and roasted, the broad-faced turkey of France is susceptible of greater admiration and sublimer encouragement than is our own bird of prey; but *that* is a dead issue, with which the American nation has nothing to do. We speak of living principles. [Jimmy, the *owl* is not an emblematic bird; to be sure, the Chinese nation might accept it, consistently, as a representative insect, owing to its propensity to sleep when other people are at work; but the rat is more to the taste of the epicures of that celestial empire.] When the eagle first lifted its massive beak and pecked at the grasshoppers and potato-bugs that ran riot on the sacred heights of Chimborazo, it was a commercial traveler from Boston, and a sewing-machine agent from New York, who first realized the importance of the bird, and resolved to utilize the product. The former depicted a little of all upon its expansive tail, the sewing-machine man them talked it into a state of subjugation and acquiescence, and the great American showman, who was hunting woolly horses in that wild region, scooped it up for his sideshow. And *that* was the origin of the great American eagle. [We are coming to the stars and stripes, Jimmy; we have too great a love for the flaunting flag of liberty to pass it by without so much as a word of commendation and approval. No, James; we had *not* forgotten that flag which has borne the battle and the breeze for full one hundred years.] As we write, joyful hozannas are swelling from forty millions of throats as the star-spangled banner, bathed in the blood of freedom's martyrs, is poised on high, and spread to the unfettered air of heaven! As we write, forty millions of voices shout the glad tidings from shore to shore, and welcome the advent of our hundredth natal day. To-day, Philadelphia—where the infant nation was born, and reared, and nurtured (or nurtured and reared, if you prefer it)—folds her flags about her, and lies down to pleasant dreams. [We are coming to that, Jimmy; but we have not yet finished the flag—the old State-house and the cracked bell shall receive due attention.] On Tuesday evening the Centennial City will go to bed in blankets and patchwork quilts; [On Wednesday she will rise clothed in the flags of all nations, clothed in all the gaudy colors of the rainbow, with the stars-and-stripes a-floating to the breeze, and the Union-jack right side up with care. Aye, the City of Brotherly Love will revel beneath a canopy of red, white and blue, and the sun and moon and stars will be blotted out by the glorious emblems of our nation's freedom! ["Better git at the State-house next, and simmer down onto the old bell, hoom told out liberty and things a hundred years ago, and got cracked—a good pint kin be made of this." James, moderate your enthusiasm, and permit us to move along in our own channel.] And there, by the morning's first dawn, stands the old State-house, with George Washington a-keeping guard at the portals of this birthplace of Freedom. As it stood one hundred years ago, so stands the ancient pile of brick-and-mortar to-day, strong in its old-timedness, and putting to shame the tumble-down fabrics that rise and fall with every passing breeze:

Rearing its spire to the dark-blue sky,
Shunning deceit and standing alone,
The grand old pile shall never die
Till its work of love and freedom's done.

[Where did we leave off, Jimmy? "We had just reared the ancient pile of salmon bricks and mortar when we was struck by the poetic moose." Ah, yes!] And there it shall stand until the crack of doom shall its chaotic swirl the world destroy. And the crack in the old bell remains cracked as it was a hundred years ago, a-swinging beneath the same heavy beams that supported it a century agone, when it proclaimed freedom to all the world; aye, when it rang out the Old World, and rang in the New. "Good old bell, with a cracked bell!" And yet we have no good pint for *you*, Jimmy. That same old bell, just as it hung in the times that tried men's souls, shall sound again when the nation calls. [James, it would not be politic to "have a shy," as you call it, at the blarsted Britishers; for, children of one mother, the two nations join hand-in-hand in this the Centennial year. Ireland, James, but bides her opportunity, for she is not lost while life remains; she will rise again, rise again!] And now, on the eve of the opening of the exhibition of the world's products and of our own advancement, in fancy we stand upon the slippery slope of time, and "view the landscape o'er" before us, far away in the dim vista of the past, the unfertile plains, and the hills and rills," and barren wastes that struck the soul with awe one hundred years ago. And we see, as we gaze afar off, the rising mists of ocean; and, as the glorious sun of freedom dispels the clouds that hover around us, we see the young giant of the Western World, in its infancy, in a panoply of stars and stripes, emerging from the pearly gloom, and, with one foot on the Atlantic's shores, and the other on the Pacific's strand, ushering into existence a new-born world ["Don't forgit haven of oppressed, etcetera"], a haven of rest and of refuge for the oppressed and downtrodden of every land, a home of the free and the brave.

.....For weeks past we have been singing "Come, gentle Spring, ethereal mildness come," but even the opening days of May failed to woo her to its embrace, for Winter lagged superfluous on the stage, as the deceased poet has Shakespeare very correctly expressed it. And the cold weather of the past week, and the colder people, made it anything but warm and pleasant for some of our theatres. The week opened on a collapsed Lyceum, and this second failure of Mat. Morgan as a theatrical manager may change the tide in his affairs, and direct him in his former legitimate channels. Strakosch, another unfortunate manager, with calm resignation awaits the coming of a better day. And talking about musical celebrities, reminds us that Maetzel's automatic trumpeter, that mechanically blew its own head off a hundred years ago, or less, and then became lost to sight, has been resurrected in Philadelphia, where everything ancient originates now, and is being encapsulated for the benefit of the curiosity-seeking. Another of the show resurrectionist is a watchmaker, and, strange to say, his place of business is *not* made known in connection with the trumpeter's reappearance; but he *may* be happy yet .....The new law against infant prodigies and performing children of a larger growth is a decided blow to flying fairies and juvenile sprites and youthful minstrel vagabonds, for as this city is concerned; and so the apprentice system will no longer meet with favor in the eyes of the showmen. And yet we should not lose sight of the fact that the apprentice system has some advantages, for the boys are always "*bound*" *to do their best!*.....At the Park Theatre, the "Human Rocket" is the star attractions last week. "The Human Rocket" is no mere stick; and he ought to be in demand for Fourth-of-July celebrations.....It may not be known to our readers that prize clam-chowder is to be one of the features of the season. Every person who finds a clam in the chowder gets a prize! This is good news. .....Nothing has been heard of "The Twins" since the escapade at Wallack's. We imagined that an effort would be made to dress up the bantling and reproduce it, but nothing has come of it. We want to call your attention to a few choice rhymes relative to it:

"Who killed the 'Twins?'"
"I," said Ada Dyas,
"Though I did it without bias,
And I killed the 'Twins.'"

.....Draper goes to the Broadway dives, and talks slang, and "It don't often *hairpin*" is what he said the other morning when they found one in his room. What makes it worse is the fact that Draper is a bachelor!.....One of the reliable dailies, in referring to the reopening of Central Park Garden on the 1st inst., says: "This resort reached the highest pinnacle of popular success under the direction of Theodore Thomas and his orchestra." Which it did no such thing, the attendance being very meagre last Summer, on some evenings the orchestra counting up nearly as numerous as the audience. It may be well, as a historical truth, to have this fact stated .....And now that Charlotte Cushman is dead, Anna Dickinson is going to step upon the stage. We hardly know which was the strong-minded-ist, Charlotte or Anna. We patiently await the dawning of another light.....Barnum would do well by adding to his greatest show on earth the Washington official who has not been investigated..... Somebody having asked "Our Jim" what made Lena leave California for Australia, the comical youth replied: "*Fred. Maeder!*".....We should think that the Australian of Music would feel cheap enough when it learns that Kellogg and her troupe are to give an operatic season at Booth's Theatre.....Let us hope that all those managers and people who have put their money and talents in ladies' tights in Centennial ventures in Philadelphia may meet with all the success they anticipate. And so say we all.

CITY SUMMARY.

THE SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS made but few changes in their programme the past week. These included "Mamma, Why Don't Papa Come?" sung by Carl Rudolph, and a song-and-dance called "Rebecca Jane" by Johnson and Powers. Add Ryman continued his lecture on "Temperance;" Backus and Birch created much hilarity in "Shakespeare on the Half-shell," and the burlesque of "The Two Orphans" was given for the wind-up.

OLIVER DOUD BYRON acted at the Bowery Theatre during the entire past week in "Across the Continent." In addition to the regular company, he was aided by Kate Byron in the character of Agnes Constant; Ada Rehan as Louise Goodwin, and Oliver Wren as Knock-me-down Johnny. The farce of "Did You Ever Send Your Wife to Rockaway?" commenced the entertainments each evening. Average business good.

"HENRY V" was withdrawn from the stage of Booth's Theatre after the performance of May 5. The attendance was fair, considering the long run the piece has enjoyed.

HAVING BEEN favored with an opportunity to see George the Count Joannes in his great impersonation of the melancholy Dane, a like opportunity is to be given us to witness Simon the Doctor Landis in *his* version of "Hamlet." They say the Doctor acts the character in a manner somewhat at variance with the ideas of many tragedians; but whether his innovations are an improvement on orthodox notions or a pull-back to William's masterpiece, is a problem left to the public to solve. The Doctor has secured Tammany Hall for Tuesday evening, May 9, where and when he will give a dramatic recital of "Hamlet," on which occasion he is to be supported by an "imaginary company"—imaginary company, Doctor Landis, surgeon, tragedian and pastor. (See small bills.) And here we may be permitted to suggest that other tragedians might do well by discarding the regular troupe of *some* theatres, and going it alone with the imaginary company. Simon the Doctor promises us a rich intellectual treat, and it is to be hoped that a large attendance will aid the actor in his promised luscious repast. On Monday, 10th, he is to appear as Richard III., and on the 11th he is to act Hamlet in Brooklyn. He is under the management of Col. T. Allston Brown.

THE THEATRE-A-VENUE THEATRE, which has been enlarged and much improved, will be reopened June 5 with John Thompson in "Dixie," who will also appear during the week in "On Hand." Specialty artists, sensational stars and combinations are invited to communicate with Benj. W. Hitchcock, as per card.

THE MARINE BAND performed nightly upon the balcony of the Globe Theatre previous to the commencement of the performances last week.

LILLY MACDONALD died in this city May 7, after a long and painful illness, at the age of 29 years. In private life she was the wife of Charles Morelli. She was born in Liverpool, Eng., March 17, 1847, and made her first appearance on the stage at the Philadelphiatheatre, in that city, playing children's parts. Subsequently she performed in ballets as a pupil of John Lauri. She was next engaged by Alexander Henderson at the Prince of Wales' Theatre for small business, and she gradually worked her way up to be a leading woman. She was engaged by F. B. Chatterton to play "Formosa" at Drury Lane Theatre, London, Eng., and subsequently fulfilled engagements at other theatres in that city. She came to this country in August, 1874, and opened at Niblo's Garden, under the management of the Kiralfy Brothers, acting Eve in "The Deluge." After fulfilling her engagement there, she performed in several of the principal cities of this country. Her funeral is to take place from the Church of the Transfiguration ("The Little Church Around the Corner"), on Tuesday, May 9.

R. E. STEVENS, business-manager of Furbish's Fifth-avenue Combination, which closed its season in Reading, Pa., May 6, has returned to this city.

OWING TO THE ILLness of Stuart Robson, Alfred Becks acted Perrisol in "Perreol" at the Union-square Theatre on May 6, and is to do so 8.

KELLY & LEON'S MINSTRELS and Burlesque Opera Troupe began a season at the Twenty-third-street Opera-house on May 1. Sixteen people occupied the stage during the first-part and these Edwin Kelly was the interlocutor; John Morton, bones; and Edwin Lester, tambo. The instruments used were three violins, a flute, clarionet, cornet, trombone, and double-bass. The stage represented an elegant parlor-scene, with a glimpse of a landscape seen through an opening at the rear of the stage. After the introductory overture John Morton sang "Aunt Susie;" Edwin Kelly, "Old Log Cabin in the Dell;" a chorus from "Girofle-Girofla" was given by the entire vocal corps; Edwin Lester sang "Man of Many Names;" J. H. Surridge, "Gathering Shells on the Sea-shore;" and, for the finale, "The Skidmore Guards" was given, with Lester, Walters, Morton, and Martin, grotesquely attired, as the Guards. They sang other airs, and, by their eccentric dancing, elicited liberal applause, and the descending curtain which concealed them from view had to be twice raised ere the enthusiasm of the spectators subsided. The jokes and dialogue with which the songs of the first-part were interlarded were in the main fresh, witty and quite enjoyable. The second-part opened with the musical specialties of the "only" Leon, who received a very enthusiastic reception as he came before the audience. He appeared without cork upon his face, and the female attire which he wore was of the latest style. So well does Mr. Leon imitate the fair sex, that it is difficult to believe that he is in reality a man. He sang a song called "Queen of Trumps," and then recited his adventures at a ball in company with a very plain-looking girl. This was so naturally acted, and the petty jealousy of women's nature so capitally portrayed, that at times the spectators fairly screamed with delight. In specialties of this kind Leon stands without a rival. In response to a recall he gave a capital imitation of a German, prima-donna, singing "Wen Die Schwalben," and, being again summoned before the audience by their enthusiastic plaudits, he sang a very effective medley of popular airs. J. H. Surridge, Japanese Tommy and W. Ball then acted a sketch called "Our Boys," during which Tommy, who is a diminutive specimen of humanity (a dwarf), created much fun. Charles H. Gordon sang "My Sweetheart When a Boy;" Walters and Morton, whose merits are patent to our readers, gave acrobatic songs-and-dances, which were freely applauded; and after a selection of music had been performed by the orchestra, under the leadership of J. B. Vogel, the curtain rose for the performance of a musical petite comedy entitled "His Grace the Duke," which terminated the entertainments. The piece is a close imitation of the Vokes Family's specialty entitled "The Wrong Man in the Right Place." It proved quite entertaining, and as a whole was well acted, Edwin Kelly being Theophilus Nubbs; Dave Wilson, Ginger; Miss Louise Charmington; J. H. Surridge, Miss Cora Moulton; Edwin Lester, Sally; John Martin, Policeman; and Japanese Tommy, Patrolman. Kelly, Leon and Surridge appeared without cork upon their faces, and although the auditorium had not been crowded, an encouraging business has been done.

THOMAS HARPER, Dick Clarke, Josephine Shanley, R. M. Carroll and his three sons, Clark Gibbs, Charles Diamond, Ala, and Sadie Deshon "moved into" Tony Pastor's New Theatre on May 1. Owing to the non-arrival from Chicago, Ill., of Mr. Standish, the partner of Thomas Harper, the latter appeared alone in one-legged sensational dances. Dick Clark acted Long Bill in his own sketch entitled "The Scarecrow," creating no little amusement. Josephine Shanley, who has a robust figure, met with a fair degree of favor in her vocalisms. R. M. Carroll and sons were seen in their familiar act of "The Happy Athene." Clark Gibbs proved himself an apt delineator of the negro character in the act called "Scenes in the South." Charles Diamond gave songs-and-dances to his own harp accompaniment, and in response to a recall gave a nimble dance. Ala performed quite skillfully a number of difficult aerial gymnastic feats, and at their close he was shot from the stage by means of compressed air to the ceiling, from whence he descended. Sadie Deshon acted in the sketches. Besides these the programme included songs by James S. Edwards and Harry Montague, and the sketches of "Jumbo Jim" and "Trouble in High Life," introducing Billy Gray, Harry Taylor, and Jennie Satterlee, not otherwise seen. Business fair.

THE LATE JAMES B. WILLIAMS' WILL was admitted to probate Thursday, May 3. We append a copy of the entire text of the document:

In the name of God, amen, I, Bernard O'Flaherty of New York City, declare this to be my last will and testament.

First—I order my executors, as soon after my death as possible, to invest in first-class bonds and mortgages in the city of New York, Government and New York State securities, $30,000, and from the income thereof to keep, educate, clothe, and maintain my daughter Marie until she is twenty-one years of age, and thereafter to pay her the principal and income in semi-annual payments, and on her arriving at the age of thirty she is to receive the full sum of $30,000, with all the accumulations thereon.

Second—I bequeath to my wife, Marie K. O'Flaherty, the house and lot now rented at 134 West Thirty-eighth street, New York City, with the fixtures, furniture and paintings therein; also all my jewels, silver, horses, carriages and stable fixtures, to be her own right forever.

Third—I bequeath to Mr. Fay during my life the use, income and profit of my house and lot, 302 Bridge street, Brooklyn, in which house she now resides.

Fourth—I order my executors as soon after my death as possible to invest $10,000, and pay the interest thereof to my mother during her life, in semi-annual payments; and, after her death, to my sisters, Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Bevins, during their lives, and on the decease of the survivor, the principal to the children of Mrs. Kelly by her late husband, and the other half to the children of Mrs. Bevins by her present husband, to share and share alike.

Fifth—I order my executors to invest $10,000, and pay the income thereof in semi-annual payments to my sister Eliza; and after her death to my sisters Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Bevins, for both after their deaths, one-half to the principal to Mrs. Kelly's children by her late husband, and the other half to Mrs. Bevins' children by her present husband; all share and share alike.

Sixth—I order my executors to invest $20,000, and pay the income thereof semi-annually to my sister Bridget (widow), and at her death to pay the principal in equal parts to her children by her late husband.

Seventh—I order my executors to invest $20,000, and semi-annually pay the interest to my sister Clara, the wife of George Bevins, and at her death to pay the $20,000 to her children by her present husband.

Eighth—I bequeath $5,000 toward the completion of the Catholic Cathedral on Fifth avenue, between or near Fifty-first and Fifty-second streets, New York City.

Ninth—I bequeath to my wife all the rest of my estate to her forever; if my wife die at or before my death, to my daughter forever.

Tenth—If my daughter die before her majority, and without issue surviving, I bequeath to my mother-in-law, Mrs. Anna Pray, $10,000; and to such issue of my sister-in-law, Mrs. Browne, as are living at the time of my death, $10,000; and in like manner to the children of my sister-in-law Mrs. Julia Martin, $10,000; and to my sister-in-law Mrs. Anna Florence, $5,000; to the children of my brother-in-law Thomas Kelly, $10,000; to the children of my brother-in-law, Charles Pray, $10,000; and if Charles Pray have no issue at the time of my death, I bequeath that $10,000 to my brother-in-law Charles Pray; and all the residue of my estate equally between my sisters, Bridget and Clara, by their present and late husbands.

I appoint my wife and John R. Brady guardians of the estate and person of my daughter, and executors of this my will.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of October, 1867. BERNARD O'FLAHERTY.

WM. J. GRANT, } Witnesses.
WM. C. TRAPHAGEN. }

AT THE TIVOLI THEATRE the main attractions the past week were the aerial gymnastic performances of Frank Gibbons, the songs-and-dances of the twin sisters Brendh, Grey and Lydia Adams in their musical specialties, the Regan Brothers in "The Musical Mokes," serio-comic songs by Ida Burt, the Bohemian Ballet Troupe in the comical ballet of "The Colleen of Kildare," and the pantomime of "Jacques and Bertrand, or the Two Fugitives."

JOHN H. MURRAY'S CIRCUS closed a prosperous season of two weeks' duration at the corner of Forty-ninth street and Eighth avenue on May 6, and started on a Summer tour. The show is first-class, and the daring equestrianism of Charles W. Fish is one of the prominent features. No change was made in the programme during their second week.

DR. S. WAMBOLD of the San Francisco Minstrels is suffering from a disease of the throat, which prevented his singing last week.

"HUMPTY DUMPTY" is doing a good business at the Olympic Theatre, and the audiences are largely composed of children, whose merry laughter at the antics of Clown and Pantaloon has as cheering an effect upon their elders as the bright rays of the sun after a thunder-shower in July.

THE THIRTEENTH consecutive week of "Brass" at the Park Theatre begins May 8, and, although its last nights are announced, it will probably remain the attraction until its one hundredth performance shall have been given. A fair business has been done since our last report.

HOWES & CUSHING'S CIRCUS terminated the season at the corner of Thirty-fifth street and Broadway on Saturday night last. The sparring of Jem Mace and Joe Goss and the skillful riding of Woods Cooke, combined with other specialties by the company, attracted large audiences. They have gone to amuse our country cousins.

W. W. TILLOTSON, the treasurer of Booth's Theatre, is to receive his annual benefit on Tuesday afternoon, May 9, when the comedy-drama entitled "Alone" will be acted by

SALE OF OLD VIOLINS.—In Baltimore, Md., on Friday, May 5, several old instruments, belonging to the estate of the late Louis Smith, were disposed of at public sale. The instruments went as such things often do, the excellent ones at low prices, and the mediocre and poor ones at good figures. An undoubted Jacob Steiner, of 1612, went at the low price of $50. It has brilliant E and A strings, but the lower register is comparatively weak. A violin marked Andreas Guanarius, 1630, went at $90. This instrument was used by Mr. Max Kaiser, the young soloist, while in that city. It is an old Cremona body set in a more recent back and ribs. The belly has the unmistakable, inimitable, ancient Italian varnish; but it was a very small one, and has been pieced out very ingeniously to the larger size. It is an instrument of beautifully even and refined quality of tone. A superb senor by Peter Wamsley of London brought $120. This instrument is of quaint and peculiar pattern, in perfect preservation, and of most exquisite richness and volume of tone. The fine Nicholas Lupot of Paris, 1818, went for $70. It was fully worth three times the price it brought. An old Schmidt of Vienna, a David Hops, and a quaint old instrument with antique carved back, went at low prices. The most interesting instrument of the collection, however, was the Cecelia bass, a magnificent 'cello that sold for $575 to Koenig of New York. Mr. Asger Hamerik of the Peabody Conservatory bid $550. It was brought to this country some half century ago by Mr. Bodisco, the Russian Minister. It has been one of Mr. Smith's collection for a long time, and he is said to have refused $3,000 for it. Another excellent instrument, a little yellow bass, was sold to Koenig at $190. It has a brilliant tone, and is a charming solo instrument. It is known to be an old Italian instrument, but the name of the maker is unknown. The sale was largely attended, but the bidding languid.

SMITH'S BELLRINGERS performed in Milford, Ill., May 4, Sheldon 5, 6, and are billed in Watseka 8, Gilman 10, 11, Paxton 12, 13, Piatt 15, 16.

THE GLOBE MUSIC GARDEN, outside of the Centennial Grounds, Philadelphia, will be opened on the 10th of May, at noon. In these grounds, which extend 400 feet each way, 9,000 visitors can be accommodated. In the centre is a large platform, where Operti's band of one hundred musicians will play. The grounds have been finely laid out, and will present a handsome aspect, $21,000 having been paid for the fountains, statuary and bronzes, and the chief gardener has been paid $10,000 for ornamentation thereof. Two concerts will be given daily, with sacred concerts on Sunday evenings, and the admission at all times will be fifty cents, with no reserved seats.

THE SPAULDINGS—Georgie Dean and W. P.—performed at the Academy of Music, Chelsea, Mass., Sunday evening, May 7, and give an entertainment at Holliston, Mass., 8, and at Parker Memorial Hall, Boston, Sunday evening, 14.

THE JULIA MATHEWS OPERA COMPANY have drawn most fashionable audiences at the Opera-house, St. Louis, Mo. "Giroflé-Girofla", was presented May 1, 2, 3, and "The Grand Duchess" filled out the rest of the week. The company, taken as a whole, is rather below the average. Miss Mathews is undoubtedly an artiste, but small audiences and a poor company seem to have a depressing influence on her acting and singing. John Hall, the principal support, is a fine comedian, who does his work effectively. This company remains another week. Letter dated May 5.

HANS VON BULOW will give three concerts at Mercantile Library Hall, St. Louis, Mo., May 8, 9, 10. He will be assisted by Miss Lizzie Cronyn. He is also billed for Pike's Opera-house, Cincinnati, O., the evening of the 12th and matinee 13.

GILMORE'S BAND, with Levy and Arbuckle, cornetists, assisted by Mme. Eugenia Fapperheim and Miss Thursby, gave concerts at the Exposition Building, Chicago, Ill., May 5, 6. These concerts were widely advertised by the First Regiment, under whose auspices they were given, and were very largely attended..... On Friday night Dr. Von Bulow gave the second of a series of Beethoven concerts, which was largely attended.

ADELAIDE PHILLIPPS appeared during the past week at the Boston (Mass.) Theatre to rather light business. "Norma" Monday, "Semiramide" Tuesday, "Trovatore" Wednesday, "Favorita" Thursday, a mixed programme Friday, and "Semiramide" again Saturday afternoon, comprised the selections.

RYDER'S SWISS BELLRINGERS are to be at Armenia, N. Y., May 8, Sharon 9, Milford 10, Philmont 11, Chatham 12, West Stockbridge, Mass., 13, 15. Miss Milly Enke and Ada Russell joined the company at Brewsters, N. Y.

A FIRST-CLASS CIRCUS BAND is wanted for O'Brien's show. See card.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA MUSIC can be obtained at J. H. Ross & Co.'s music-publishing house, advertised elsewhere.

A LIST OF NEW MUSIC published by L. P. Goulland, including many popular pieces, can be found noticed, with prices, in the monthly letter column.

THE HOLMAN OPERA-BOUFFE TROUPE are to be at the Griswold Opera-house, Troy, N. Y., May 11, 12, 13.

"ALL TED BACK," a serio-comic song, arranged for the orchestra, is offered to professional vocalists free of charge by F. W. Helmick, who advertises.

SLAVIN'S COLORED GEORGIA SINGERS, now performing at the Boston (Mass.) Museum in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," have received decidedly laudatory notices from the Boston and Montreal press, the numerous extracts published in which are very convincing to the fact that their performances have met with appreciation in both cities. They are open for engagements through Manager Slavin, who can be addressed care of this office.

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A TUBA-PLAYER, who can perform upon the organ, is wanted for Ryder's Bellringers' Troupe. See advertisement.

THE BERGER FAMILY and SOL SMITH RUSSELL have been performing to large business in Maine, and are billed for Burlington, Vt., May 9, Plattsburg 10, Montreal, Canada, 11, 12. The Maine journals thus speak of their entertainments:

THE BERGER FAMILY AND SOL SMITH RUSSELL.—This talented company made its second appearance in this city last night, and it was evident that everybody that had attended their first performance was again present, and had brought their friends, for the City Hall was packed. This is a better testimony to the merits of the entertainment they offer than anything that can be written. The musical part of the entertainment was of a high order, and well merited the applause it won. It is seldom that an entertainment of so great variety is so well sustained in each particular. This company is sure of a welcome as often as it comes.—*Portland Daily Press.*

The charming concert by the Berger Family and Sol S. Russell was largely attended last evening. Many remarked on coming out "It was the best entertainment I ever attended in Augusta." This verdict is endorsement enough, and any notice we could give of the performance could not be more emphatic or truthful than that.—*Daily Journal*, Augusta, Me., May 3.

VARIETY HALLS.

JOHN GALNAR, banjo-teacher, dealer in musical instruments, song-and-dance instructor, etc., advertises his terms of tuition and other particulars in his card in this issue.

MAY HAWTHORNE, operatic vocalist, publishes a card from D. Shelby recommending her to managers and testifying to her ability as a singer. She has open dates after May 6.

GEO. C. DOBSON, dealer in banjos and other musical instruments, and teacher of banjo and guitar, inserts his card in another column.

A complimentary card from Geo. H. Tyler, testifying to the ability of E. C. Dunbar as a performer, and expressive of the esteem entertained for him by the management, can be found in this issue.

GEO. W. MITCHELL'S drama of "Washington" can be secured by variety managers having open dates. Apply to Col. T. Allston Brown, as per card.

JOHNSON AND BRUNO, acrobatic and contortion song-and-dance artists, open in their specialties at Mitchell's Theatre, Comique, St. Louis, Mo., May 7. They can be addressed care of this office.

THE LENTON FAMILY of gymnasts gave their last performance in San Francisco, Cal., on April 23, at Woodward's Gardens, and are now bound East. They open in Philadelphia, Pa., May 22, and have a few open dates from June 3. Special directions in regard to telegrams and letters are given in their card. They also publish a notice from the San Francisco (Cal.) press, highly complimenting their performances.

TONY PASTOR'S TRAVELING COMBINATION is billed to perform in Fall River, Mass., May 8, Lowell 9, Lawrence 10, Manchester, N. H., 11, Salem, Mass., 12, Lynn 13, Worcester 15, Springfield 16, Albany, N. Y., 17, Troy 18, Utica 19, Syracuse 20, Rochester 22, Buffalo 23, 24, 25, Cleveland, O., 26, 27, Pittsburg, Pa., 29, 30, 31, Wheeling, W. Va., June 1, Columbus, O., 2, Dayton 3.

FRANK DORIS, banjo-soloist and pedestal clog-dancer, can be addressed for engagements care of this office.

LITTLE TODD, gymnast and pedestal performer, can be found advertised in this issue.

HARRY MONTAGUE, character vocalist, still continues at Tony Pastor's Theatre, this city, where he has been engaged until further notice.

E. C. DUNBAR, late of the "Humpty Dumpty" Troupe, publishes his London, Eng., address in our business department. He announces that he will return to this country in August, 1877.

KELLY BROTHERS—Asa and George—in their trapeze, horizontal-bar and tumbling acts, are open for engagements with variety or circus troupes. See card.

MISS LOU SANFORD, serio-comic vocalist, now performing at the Theatre Comique, St. Louis, Mo., can be addressed as per advertisement until May 27.

MME. BERENETTA and her troupe of educated dogs and birds, now exhibiting at Col. Wood's Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., can be engaged after May 29. See card.

MRS. J. A. OLIVER, professionally known as Minnie Wesner of the Wesner Sisters, recently presented her husband in Philadelphia, Pa., with a son weighing fourteen pounds.

HARRY MORRIS and Frank Fields, German dialect comedians, vocalists and dancers, have effected a co-partnership for the production of their original sketches, etc. They commence a two weeks' engagement at the Vandeville Theatre, Louisville, Ky., May 15, where they can be addressed.

G. M. WEBB, who advertises, wants to engage two good song-and-dance men.

VARIETY TALENT is wanted for the New International Varieties Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa. See Fred Hafner's card.

VARIETY TALENT is wanted at the Academy of Music, Chicago, Ill. See card.

PERFORMERS in all branches of the business, and a leader of orchestra, can find engagements at the Academy of Music, Germantown, Pa., as per advertisement.

THE COMIQUE, Long Branch, N. J., is to rent for the Summer season, with privileges. It has a seating capacity of 500, and can be secured through Louis Schmulling, who advertises.

THE SIR CHARLES THEATRE, New Orleans, La., of which MR. JAMES FIPPIN is Treasurer and Marsh Adams stage-manager, closed for the season April 30.

AT THE CONTINENTAL THEATRE, Philadelphia, Pa., under the management of C. E. Blanchett, a number of ladies are wanted for the ballet, etc. Apply to Col. J. Hal. Sleeper, as per card.

IONE LANG advertises for sale a number of dresses for lady serio-comic singers.

AT GRAND VARIETY MUSIC HALL, late Concert Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., under the management of G. W. Pike, specialty artists and others can find open dates by applying to Col. Hal. Sleeper & Co., agents, who advertise.

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MLLE. LUCIA'S (Mrs. E. W. Orrin) funeral took place in Philadelphia, Pa., on May 3, and was largely attended by professionals. Her remains were interred in Mount Moriah Cemetery.

STUART'S MORAL SENSATION SHOW, recently organized at Columbus, O., performed at Canal Winchester May 1, Carroll 2, Sugar Grove 3, Nelsonville 4, 5, Logan 6, and were to be at Baltimore 8, Hebron 9.

AT SHELBY'S, Buffalo, N. Y., the arrivals May 1 were the Irwin Sisters, Homer and Holly, the Snow Bros. and Postelle and Belle Remick. Business good. A complimentary benefit to Manager Shelby has been arranged at the Academy of Music May 15. Closed 6. The Wikmans to Grand Rapids, Mich., the McAvoys and the Snow Bros., to New York; Wm. Huntley, to Cleveland, O. Announced for 8: Sawyer's Bellringers, Ada Sanborn, Edwin F. Barnes and Maggie Barnes, R. W. Rent and Sheppard and Hall..... At the Centennial Varieties business ruled large all the week. Manager Workman's new venture has proven a success. The company last week included Carrie Lewis, Lizzie Thorne, Baker and Doyle, and Chas. Hayes. An unprofessional trick was directed against Mr. Workman twenty-four hours before his opening. Certain parties running a free show near him wrote to New York, misrepresenting affairs at this theatre, which caused three artists who were to open May 1 to cancel their engagements. Others were secured, however, in time. Mr. Workman keeps a respectable theatre, and is being well patronized..... At the Canterbury no changes since last report. Run of business, unsteady. Advices of May 7.

THE ODEON, Paterson, N. J., is to be opened on or about May 15, under the management of James W. McKee, for the Summer season as a garden, after the style of the Metropolitan in Newark. J. H. Cook has been engaged as stage-manager.

THE FROST-PEABODY THEATRE, Baltimore, Md., closed May 6 after a successful season. The attractions during the past week included the Foy Sisters—Bertha and Ida—in a musical comedietta, Miss Maggie Gray in character songs, Rel Muab, who walks on hot irons and drinks boiling oil, and the Garretta Troupe in a gymnastic performances. The company from the Lyceum Theatre, New York, acquitted themselves creditably in several good farces and burlesques. The troupe includes Sydney Smith, Vincent Hogan, W. A. Rouse, James Danvers, May Booth, Julia Hogan, Ida Foy, Annie Mack, Harry Josephs, George Randolph, Dan Leeson and Nellie Boyd. W. S. Harkins has been playing leading parts very acceptably at this theatre..... The New Central Theatre will open May 30 for the Summer season, under the management of the Kernan Brothers. Among those engaged are the Phoites, Roger O'Mally, Dan Collyer, Chas. H. Flemming, Jennie Stowe, Sallie Murry, the Harrison Sisters, and a corps de ballet. Chas. Howard will be stage-manager..... The Odeon Varieties has been doing a good business, and during the past week offered several new attractions. Advices of May 7.

THE ARNOLD BROS.' COMBINATION, under the management of G. A. Henderson, comprising the following artists: The Arnold Bros.—Amos, William and Frank—clog-dancers; Mons. Carlyle and son, acrobats; Louisa Stetson and Ida Siddons, serio-comics; John Le Clair, juggling; Wiley Hamilton, character changes; Arthur Johnson, Dutch comicalities; performed in Paterson, N. J., May 3, 4. Now for Business very light. Route from there, Middletown, N. Y., 5, 6, Port Jervis, N. Y., 8, 9.

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THE Sparrows at Smith's Opera-house, Grand Rapids, Mich., fell off during the past week, owing to counter attractions. The newcomers May 1 were Lew Hallett, comedian, who pleases; Altie Hallett, who does a good trapeze act; Lotta Grant, vocalist; and Mons. Clifford, contortionist, who is an old stock company. The departures May 6 are the Claire Sisters, to Detroit; Gus Du Bois, Chicago; the Barnums, Detroit; and the Ifferd Sisters, Chicago. Lulu Francis left here 4 for St. Louis, Mo. Dan McCarthy controls the properties. Carrie and Frank Lavarnie, Will H. Vane, Fanny Montague, and Etta May are billed to open 8. Letter of May 6.

BUSINESS at the New Theatre Comique, Richmond, Va., remains good. Mulligan and Morris in their double songs and acrobatic dances produce something new each week. They are painstaking, and favorites. Mons. Henri De King and Olymphia, Mollie Johnson and Gus Lee, M'lle. Rosa open May 8. Departures 7: the Melton Brothers.

A NEW COMPANY, to be known as Charley Emerson's Combination, has been organized at Canton and Massillon, O., and will take the road May 18. The company numbers fourteen people, and includes a brass band.

FANNY HERRING is to commence an engagement at the American Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., May 15, acting in John Brougham's burlesque of "Pocahontas." She will appear at the Third-avenue Theatre, New York, June 12.

AT THE COMIQUE, Williamsburg, L. I., business is reported large for the week ending May 6—in fact, the best so far this season. Manager Theall, having recovered from his severe illness, is attending to business. The following closed 6: G. B. Harcourt and Kate O'Connor, Enda and Estelle Wellington, W. H. Bent, John Poer and Sim Bryant. To open 8: The Victorellis, Annie Braddon, Jas. O'Neil, the Gorman Bros. and Harry Hall.

MISS MAGGIE GRAEY, soprano vocalist, Irish comedienne and specialty artist, and Dan Nash, Irish comedian and musical specialist, announce that they have formed a copartnership for the purpose of producing Irish musical sketches, songs-and-dances, etc. They have just concluded an engagement at Hooley's Opera-house, Brooklyn, N. Y., and can be engaged through their agent, Col. T. Allston Brown.

THE THEATRE COMIQUE, Wheeling, West Va., has been closed for good by the proprietor on account of financial difficulties.

THE ODEON VARIETY THEATRE, Newark, N. J., reopened May 1 under the management of Wally Ward. The business done has been of a very flattering character. The show opened with a farce in which thirteen people appeared, with Ned Wambold and Ed. Heeney as Tambos, and Charles Burnham and T. F. Thomas as Bones. During the last of the week there were added Jas. Niles to tambo and Charley Evans to bones, with Wm. Scott Interlocutor. In the olio the Vaidis Twin Sisters give their horizontal-bar exercise, and later posturing and tumbling. Then Mary Mitchell appeared in a neat and artistic jig, followed by J. C. Stewart's farce of "Smoked Out," introducing Ned Wambold, Wm. Scott, Jas. Niles, Charley Evans, T. F. Thomas and Marie Boniface (the last not before mentioned in the company). Lena Cole then did motto and character songs. She has a pleasing contralto voice. Next was Conroy and Daly in an amusing Irish sketch, entitled "The Troublesome Tenants." Charles Belmont in ballads, Niles and Evans in a neat negro sketch, James W. McKee in character songs (his "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse" and "Granger Sam" being particularly noticeable), and Thomas and Keeney in double clog-dance, the whole concluding with Barney McNulty's burlesque of "A Frosty Morning," with the author as Cornelius McNamar, N. P., 98, supported by the company. Closures 6: Niles and Evans and Mary Mitchell, to New York; J. W. McKee, to Paterson; and the Vaidis Children, to Buffalo. To come 8: Maggie Gray, Lew Cole, and the Lamonts..... To At the Metropolitan business has fallen off, though not from want of attractions. The newcomers May 1 were Ned Werner in Irish songs, and Maud Stanley in songs and dances, and jointly in duets—both favorites. Business very light. Route from there, Middletown, N. Y., 5, 6, Port Jervis, N. Y., 8, 9.

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A TUBA-PLAYER, who can perform upon the organ, is wanted for Ryder's Bellringers' Troupe. See advertisement.

THE BERGER FAMILY and SOL SMITH RUSSELL have been performing to large business in Maine, and are billed for Burlington, Vt., May 9, Plattsburg 10, Montreal, Canada, 11, 12. The Maine journals thus speak of their entertainments:

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The charming concert by the Berger Family and Sol S. Russell was largely attended last evening. Many remarked on coming out "It was the best entertainment I ever attended in Augusta." This verdict is endorsement enough, and any notice we could give of the performance could not be more emphatic or truthful than that.—*Daily Journal*, Augusta, Me., May 3.

VARIETY HALLS.

JOHN GALNAR, banjo-teacher, dealer in musical instruments, song-and-dance instructor, etc., advertises his terms of tuition and other particulars in his card in this issue.

MAY HAWTHORNE, operatic vocalist, publishes a card from D. Shelby recommending her to managers and testifying to her ability as a singer. She has open dates after May 6.

GEO. C. DOBSON, dealer in banjos and other musical instruments, and teacher of banjo and guitar, inserts his card in another column.

A complimentary card from Geo. H. Tyler, testifying to the ability of E. C. Dunbar as a performer, and expressive of the esteem entertained for him by the management, can be found in this issue.

GEO. W. MITCHELL'S drama of "Washington" can be secured by variety managers having open dates. Apply to Col. T. Allston Brown, as per card.

JOHNSON AND BRUNO, acrobatic and contortion song-and-dance artists, open in their specialties at Mitchell's Theatre Comique, St. Louis, Mo., May 7. They can be addressed care of this office.

THE LENTON FAMILY of gymnasts gave their last performance in San Francisco, Cal., on April 23, at Woodward's Gardens, and are now bound East. They open in Philadelphia, Pa., May 22, and have a few open dates from June 3. Special directions in regard to telegrams and letters are given in their card. They also publish a notice from the San Francisco (Cal.) press, highly complimenting their performances.

TONY PASTOR'S TRAVELING COMBINATION is billed to perform in Fall River, Mass., May 8, Lowell 9, Lawrence 10, Manchester, N. H., 11, Salem, Mass., 12, Lynn 13, Worcester 15, Springfield 16, Albany, N. Y., 17, Troy 18, Utica 19, Syracuse 20, Rochester 22, Buffalo 23, 24, 25, Cleveland, O., 26, 27, Pittsburg, Pa., 29, 30, 31, Wheeling, W. Va., June 1, Columbus, O., 2, Dayton 3.

FRANK DORIS, banjo-soloist and pedestal clog-dancer, can be addressed for engagements care of this office.

LITTLE TODD, gymnast and pedestal performer, can be found advertised in this issue.

HARRY MONTAGUE, character vocalist, still continues at Tony Pastor's Theatre, this city, where he has been engaged until further notice.

E. C. DUNBAR, late of the "Humpty Dumpty" Troupe, publishes his London, Eng., address in our business department. He announces that he will return to this country in August, 1877.

KELLY BROTHERS—Asa and George—in their trapeze, horizontal-bar and tumbling acts, are open for engagements with variety or circus troupes. See card.

MISS LOU SANFORD, serio-comic vocalist, now performing at the Theatre Comique, St. Louis, Mo., can be addressed as per advertisement until May 27.

MME. BERENETTA and her troupe of educated dogs and birds, now exhibiting at Col. Wood's Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., can be engaged after May 29. See card.

MRS. J. A. OLIVER, professionally known as Minnie Wesner of the Wesner Sisters, recently presented her husband in Philadelphia, Pa., with a son weighing fourteen pounds.

HARRY MORRIS and Frank Fields, German dialect comedians, vocalists and dancers, have effected a co-partnership for the production of their original sketches, etc. They commence a two weeks' engagement at the Vandeville Theatre, Louisville, Ky., May 15, where they can be addressed.

G. M. WEBB, who advertises, wants to engage two good song-and-dance men.

VARIETY TALENT is wanted for the New International Varieties Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa. See Fred Hafner's card.

VARIETY TALENT is wanted at the Academy of Music, Chicago, Ill. See card.

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THE COMIQUE, Long Branch, N. J., is to rent for the Summer season, with privileges. It has a seating capacity of 500, and can be secured through Louis Schmulling, who advertises.

THE SIR CHARLES THEATRE, New Orleans, La., of which MR. JAMES FIPPIN is Treasurer and Marsh Adams stage-manager, closed for the season April 30.

AT THE CONTINENTAL THEATRE, Philadelphia, Pa., under the management of C. E. Blanchett, a number of ladies are wanted for the ballet, etc. Apply to Col. J. Hal. Sleeper, as per card.

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MLLE. LUCIA'S (Mrs. E. W. Orrin) funeral took place in Philadelphia, Pa., on May 3, and was largely attended by professionals. Her remains were interred in Mount Moriah Cemetery.

STUART'S MORAL SENSATION SHOW, recently organized at Columbus, O., performed at Canal Winchester May 1, Carroll 2, Sugar Grove 3, Nelsonville 4, 5, Logan 6, and were to be at Baltimore 8, Hebron 9.

CHICAGO, ILL., has had all the amusements it could patronize this week, and so it is scarcely surprising if the attendance at the Colliseum fell off slightly from its usual standard, wrote our correspondent on May 6, continuing: "The first-part which has been so successful hitherto, was withdrawn on the night of the opening of Hooley's Minstrels, and the farce of 'The Dutch Justice' was substituted. Miss Adrienne Grey continued to please in her songs, and the Lavarnies, Blanche Selwyn, Ben Gilloti, Fannie Montague, Dick Rowe, Fields and Hoey, and Rhoderer and Wilson filled up the bill in their specialties. Closing 6: Miss Adrienne Gray, to St. Louis; Carrie Lavarnie, to Grand Rapids; and Fields and Hoey, destination unknown. Opening 8: Belle Celeste and Frank Monroe, Murphy and Mack, Jim Larkin and Carrie Armstrong. Since D. R. Hawkins has assumed the stage-management, an improvement is observable in that department..... The management of the Adelphi Theatre will shortly be changed, Miss Kittie O'Neil in her specialty dances; Miss Ida Morris' vocalism; and Quilter and Goldrich in songs-and-dances. The Garnella Brothers concluded here on the 6th inst. Edward Murray and Alice Ross, the Rousselle Brothers, and Giovanni open on the 8th of May.

AT THE GRAND CENTRAL, Philadelphia, last week, the novel attractions were the serio-comic songs of W. H. Morton, who made a decided hit here; Tierney and Cronin in their specialty of "The Ashantee Regulars;" La Belle Gabrielle in her pleasing musical act; W. Henry Rice's burlesque operatic vocalism; and the very clever clog-dancing of Neil Conway. Sam E. Ryan and Miss Julia Wilson closed May 6. The new arrivals announced for the 8th inst. are "The American Song-and-dance Team," Wagner and Lovely, Cotton and Birdue, Angie Schott, Kate O'Connor and G. B. Harcourt and Robert Nickle.

AT THE PARK THEATRE, Brooklyn, L. I., Colonel Thomas Shiel Henderson made his debut on the dramatic stage on the 1st inst. The shaving scene in Lanty Logan in a play of his own authorship, entitled "Tullamore." The drama contained nothing particularly new in the method of treating incidents of the Rebellion of '98. Owing to an extended experience upon the dramatic stage, he appeared with no trepidation or stage-fright; but, making no bauk in that direction, he still has much to learn. The play was continued throughout the week, the author and actor receiving a benefit on Friday night. The vocalistic portion was proceed by Harry Watson and Lizzie Sherman in the sketch of "The Changeable Dutchman;" Giovanni in a musical interlude upon goblets, and later introducing a troupe of trained canaries; Annie Kemp Bowler in vocalisms; John Pastorus as "Italian street vender;" Wash. Norton in an Ethiopian act; and the Rousselle Brothers in parlor gymnastics, and afterwards in velocipede riding. This week no variety specialties, but; instead, another dramatic assault by Colonel Henderson, entitled "Roger Bloomer," offered for the week ending May 6 the sketches of "Bank Defaulters," "Man that Carries a Razor;" Frank Budworth, J. W. McAndrews and Pat Rooney in their well-known specialties; John Gilbert in song-and-dance; Dan Hadcott in motto songs; Miss Geary as the Irish Emigrant, and Ada Linwood in a bouquet of songs; with Kirk and Drew as the Mischievous Offspring, the whole concluding with McAndrews' sketch "Uncle Eph's Dream." Letter of May 8.

NEGRO MINSTRELSY.

HE HAS BEEN ARRESTED.—E. D. Bates, alias "Joe Gaylord," was arrested in York, Pa., on April 20, upon the complaint of the proprietor of the National House, in that town, charging him with having obtained board by false pretenses, he having represented himself as being the advance-agent of Skiff & Gaylord's Minstrel Troupe, and stating that they were to perform there in a week or two. Bates was committed to jail in default of bail, to await trial. He was also arrested by the same officers on another complaint, made by the proprietor of the Central Hotel, Hanover, Pa., for having obtained board and money from him upon like representations. Bates was committed upon this charge also.

THE WIFE OF WILLIAM CARTER, banjoist, with the San Francisco Minstrels, New York, gave birth to a boy in New Orleans, La., on April 27.

DUPREZ & BENEDICT'S MINSTRELS are to close on June 3 a continuous season of twenty two months, during which they have given 300 performances. They will start out again early in September next. They perform this week in Beethoven Hall, Boston, Mass., and Fitchburg 15, Keene, N. H., 16, Brattleboro, Vt., 17, Rutland 18, Burlington 19, Whitehall, N. Y., 20, Saratoga 22, Binghamton 23, Scranton, Pa., 24, Williamsport 25.

HAVERLY'S MINSTRELS, as now organized, made their first appearance in Portland, Me., May 4 to a fine house, and have left behind them a reputation that will insure crowded houses at any future visits. Solo-singing by Frillman, Roe, Rapier and Dixon, and the comic songs and funny sayings of Barlow and Wilson make a brilliant first-part, the finale of "Centennial Echoes" being in keeping with the spirit of the times. The olio is one of decided merit, being made up of the specialties of Cool Burgess, Primrose and West's songs-and-dances and clog-dancing, John Harris in banjo-solos, George Wilson's laughing song, and Milt. G. Barlow's aged-negro specialty. H. J. Clapham, the manager, reports the business through the East, and furnishes the following route: Worcester, Mass., May 8, Springfield 9, New Bedford 10, Bridgeport, Ct., 11, Paterson, N. J., 12, Newark 13, Trenton 15, Morristown, Pa., 16, Lancaster 17, Columbia 18, Reading 19. Advices of May 6.

THE OPENING NIGHT of the new Chicago Theatre, Chicago, Ill., for a minstrel season attracted a large house. The performance is in every way first-class. Owing to counter attractions, inclement weather, and the fact the house had been closed for some time previously, the business has not continued so large as on the opening night. Percy Ashton's singing is the strong feature of the first-part, while Bobby Newcomb gets the greatest share of applause in the olio. Next week will be produced Newcomb's original sketch of "Sweethearts."

BETANY'S MINSTRELS performed at the Paterson, N. J., Opera-house, May 6, to good business. Route: Newark 8, Trenton 9, Easton, Pa., 10, Reading 11, Harrisburg 12.

HAVERLY'S MINSTRELS can be engaged for vacant dates by addressing Harry J. Clapham, as per card.

WASH. NORTON is to perform on the bone-end with Dupree & Benedict's Minstrels, commencing in Boston, Mass., May 8.

BIG MAMBLE, comedian and dramatist, has assumed the stage management of Callender's Georgia Minstrels.

HUNT, LENTZ'S FEMALE MINSTRELS are to appear in Glen's Falls, N. Y., May 8, Whitehall 9, Rutland, Vt., 10, Keene, N. H., 11, Fitchburg, Mass., 12, Lynn 13, Salem 15, Gloucester 16, Portland, Me., 17, 18, Dover, Foxcroft 19, Rockland 20.

GEMMONES & DIXEY'S MINSTRELS reopened in Philadelphia on the 1st of May, attracting an excellent attendance during the week. J. L. Carncross, Hughey Dougherty, Matt. Wheeler, Eugene, A. J. Talbot, and all of the old favorites came in for a demonstrative "welcome home."

THE FEATURES of the programme presented by Simmons, Slocum & Sweetnam's Minstrels, Philadelphia, were the finale of "Centennial Echoes," which had a subject of display, the time of Messrs. Lamphere & Rigdon held possession, an injunction was served upon them that they should not resist Mr. Grover's taking charge. This injunction, which was served late on Saturday night, was resisted, and the server of the paper ejected by force from the house. Last Wednesday Messrs. Lamphere & Rigdon were before the court to answ

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